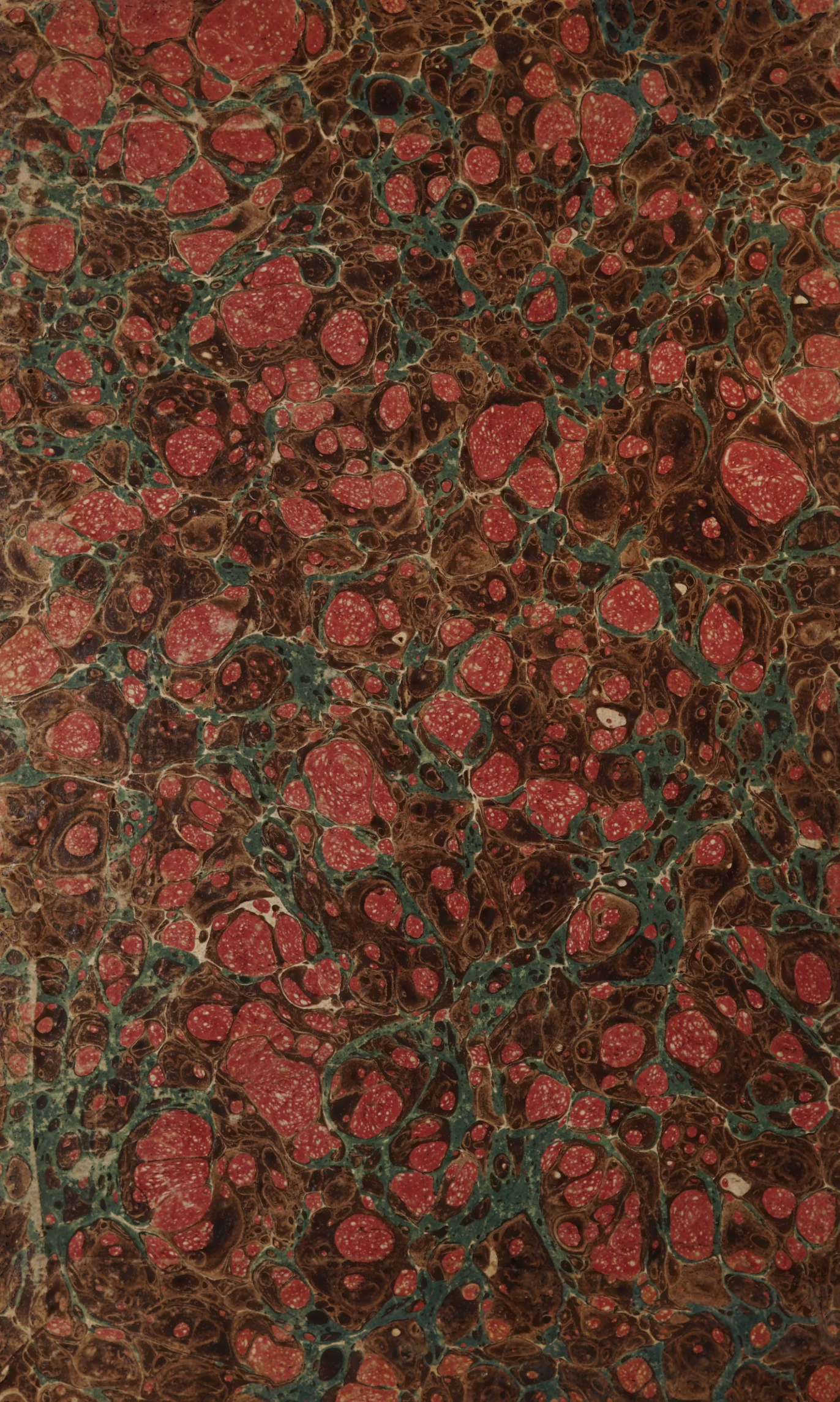


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FOR NEW ENGLAND



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FOR NEW ENGLAND

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Record Book,

Containing the Proceedings
of

Providence Monthly Meeting,
of

Women Friends.

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the instrument is to be kept

in a dry place and not

in contact with water.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of
women friends held the 27th of 7th mo, 1825-

The representatives are for Providence
Elizabeth Smith and Phibe H. Holden;
for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Lydia
Smith who are present.

Answers to the 8th, 2nd and 10th queries have
been received from each of our preparative meetings
and with the queries have been read in this and general
answers taken therefrom which are to be forwarded to
the Quarterly Meeting by Dorcas Paine Dorcas Brown &
Lydia Bled, who are appointed to attend said meeting
and report their attendance at our next monthly
meeting. A certificate was received and read in
this meeting from the monthly meeting of New Bedford
held on the 23rd of 6th mo, 1825 on behalf of Lydia Taber
wife of Antipas Taber, which is accepted and is as
follows.

To the Monthly Meeting of Providence
Dear friends,

Lydia, wife of Antipas Taber,
having removed with her husband within the lim-
its of your meeting requests our certificate, this
may certify on her behalf that she is a member
of our religious society and frequent in the
attendance of meetings. as such we recommend
her to your friendly care and oversight and are
your friends.

Signed on behalf of New Bedford
Monthly Meeting held 6th mo 23rd 1825.

Abraham Shearman
By Mary Taber Clerk.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
Lydia C. Smith Clk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 24th of 3^d mo 1825-

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Amy Tadwin, for Smithfield Lydia Arnold and Phoebe Metcalf who are present except two and a satisfactory reason was understood for the absence of one of them. This meeting is informed that the representatives to the quarterly meeting attended said meeting agreeable to appointment. Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 28th of 9th month 1825

The representatives are for Providence Amy Congdon and Mary Anthony for Smithfield Hannah Metcalf and Eunice Metcalf who are present.

A report of the boarding school committee together with some recommendations from the last yearly meeting, was received and read in this meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 26th of 10th mo 1825

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Smith and Anna Bowen for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Phoebe Metcalf who are present. Answers to the 1st, 2^d and 10th queries have been received from each of our preparative meetings and read in this from which general answers are selected and are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Phoebe Metcalf, Lydia C. Smith and

Elizabeth Congdon whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their attendance at our next mo. meeting.

Susanna
R. Smith's
visit.

Our Esteemed friend Susanna R. Smith attended this meeting with a certificate from Burlington monthly meeting [N. J.] held on the 1st of 8th mo of the present year whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us; and the company of her companion Susanna Newbold who produced a minute from Upper Springfield mo. meeting [N. J.] held on the 5th of 10th mo 1825 has also been acceptable.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by
Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 23rd of 11th mo 1825.

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Coffin & Abigail Pierce for Smithfield Sarah Buffington and Eunice Metcalf who are present.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform they attended agreeable to appointment.

Transcripts of epistles from Philadelphia New York, have been read at this time we hope to edification.

Signed by Mary Ann Smith
assistant Clerk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 29th of 12th mo 1825.

Clerk's
Chosen.

The representatives are for Providence Dorcas B. Anthony and Sarah Coffin for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Abigail Arnold who are present.

The time having expired for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed they are reappointed for the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

P. 4th Providence monthly meeting of women friends held
25th of 1st mo 1826.

The representatives for Providence are
Lydia Breed and Maria Buffum for Smithfield
Dorcas Paine and Phoebe Metcalf who are all present
except Maria Buffum.

The queries and answers have been read,
and such selected as seems most descriptive of
our present state which we forward to the quarterly
meeting by our friends Sarah Metcalf, Mary G. Anthony
and Abigail Arnold whom we appoint to attend
said meeting and report next monthly meeting.

A Certificate was presented on behalf of our
esteemed friend Anna A. Jenkins from
Greenwich monthly meeting which is accepted
and is as follows.

To Providence Monthly meeting
Dear Friends,

Our beloved Friend Anna A.
Jenkins, having removed back within the
limits of your meeting, and requesting our
Certificate. We hereby certify on her behalf
that during her residence with us her life and
conversation corresponded with her religious
profession and in the exercise of her gift as a
Gospel Minister, she was acceptable to her friends.
And it appears her outward affairs are settled
to satisfaction. Desiring she may be preserved
living in the truth, and feeling near unity
with her, we recommend her to your Christian
care and attention, and remain your friends.

Signed on behalf of Greenwich monthly meeting
held at Cranston 2^d of 1st moth 1826

William Reynolds }
By Sarah Lark } Clerks

3. A certificate was received from the Bedford
monthly meeting of behalf of Lydia East which
is accepted and is as follows.

To the Monthly Meeting of Providence.

Lydia Dear Friends,

Lydia East having returned to
Providence, we may say, she is a Member of our
Society and we believe clear of marriage en-
gagements previous and as far as appears
that settles her affairs to satisfaction.

We recommend her to your Christian care
and attention and are your Friends.

Signed in behalf of our monthly meeting
held at North Bedford, 22 of 12 mo 1823.

Wraham Sherman Junr
Mary Labor

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that
they propose Abigail Arnold Lydia C. Smith
and Phoebe Estabrook overseers of society for the
present year, which is united with in this
meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Mary Ann Smith assisted by

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 21st of 2 mo 1824.

The representatives are for Providence Lydia
Breed and Sarah Coffin by Smithfield Lydia
Arnold and Abby Prince who are present.

We are informed that Providence preparative
meeting propose Elizabeth Smith, Dorcas Brown
Anna Brown for overseers of society which is
united with in this meeting.

We are also informed that the representatives
to the Quarterly meeting attended said meeting.

P. 6

Providence preparative informs that Sarah Wall requests a certificate directed to Uxbridge monthly meeting Sarah Metcalf and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to prepare one and present to next monthly meeting if they find nothing to prevent.

Lydia
W. B. C. S.
Kinnete
granted.

+ Our esteemed friend Lydia Breed is present in this meeting that she has her mind drawn to attend in company with Miss Rathbun some meetings within the limits of Salem Quarterly meeting particular of the monthly meeting of that place and the meetings constituting one in the winter and may should open a new within the limits of our quarterly meeting for the winter meeting with a committee in that respect and have her at liberty to pursue it as truth may open the way. She being a ministerial girl within the limits of our quarterly meeting for the winter meeting with a copy of the minutes.

Signed on behalf of the meeting

By Lydia C. Smith Clk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held the 29th of 5th mo 1826

The representatives are for Providence Dorcas Brown and Betsey Purinton for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Eunice Metcalf who are present except Dorcas Brown for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Sarah Wall are not yet ready to present one the subject is referred one month.

Hannah's
request.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Hannah had requested to become a member of our society Dorcas B. Anthony & Hannah Chas

P. 7th are appointed to take an opportunity with her on the subject and report to this meeting when the service is accomplished.

Epistles from the yearly meetings of Baltimore and Ohio have been read at this time.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
by Lydia C. Smith Clk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 26th of 4th moth 1826.

The representatives are for Providence Anna Bowen and Elizabeth Smith for Smithfield Sarah Buffington and Dorcas Paine who are present except Anna Bowen and Sarah Buffington.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and general answers selected therefrom which we forward to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives Dorcas B. Anthony, Elizabeth Congdon and Phoebe Metcalf.

A certificate was presented for Sarah Wall which is approved and signed and is to be forwarded to Uxbridge monthly meeting.

A certificate
granted to
S. Wall.

Committee in the case of Hannah Jackson's request presented a report which is referred until next month for further consideration.

A Certificate was received from Greenwich monthly meeting on behalf of Dorcas B. Harkness which is accepted and is as follows.

Dorcas
Harkness
Certificate

To Providence monthly meeting of friends
Dear friends,
Dorcas B. Harkness having removed to live with her husband within the limits of your meeting requests our certificate, this is to certify on her behalf that she is a member of our mo meeting and a

8 diligent attendee of meeting when circumstances would admit, as such we recommend her to your christian care and oversight, and remain your friends.

From Greenwich monthly meeting of women friends held at Cranston 27th of 2nd mo 1826

William Reynolds
Sarah Lisle

L. Breed's
minute
returned
Lydia Breed returned to this meeting the minute with which she was furnished in the second mo. last accompanied with a minute from Seabrook mo. meeting expressive of their satisfaction with her accompanying and religious labours amongst them.

The transcript of an epistle from the yearly meeting of Virginia has been read at this time.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by

Lydia C. Smith (Ch)

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 24th of 5th mo 1826.

The representatives are for Providence Mary G. Anthony and Sarah Coffin for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Willy Paine who are present except Mary G. Anthony and Sarah Coffin a satisfactory reason has been rendered for the absence of the latter.

This meeting is informed that the representatives to the quarterly meeting attended said meeting agreeably to appointment.

H. Jackson
received into
membership
The ^{subject} in the case of Hannah Jackson being reconsidered in this meeting is united with and she is admitted a member of our religious society. Lydia Breed is appointed to inform her thereof.

A printed epistle from the yearly meeting of Long held in the 5th mo of last year has been read at this time to satisfaction.

P. 9 A Proposition was made in this meeting to appoint Lydia C. Smith to the station of an Elder - the subject has been considered in this meeting and the mens meeting and is united with in both.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by

Lydia C. Smith Clk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 28th of 6th mo 1826.

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Smith and Hannah Chase for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Dorcas Paine who are all present except Elizabeth Smith who is prevented by indisposition.

Our Esteemed friend Mary Battey attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Smithfield monthly meeting held the 27th of 10th mo 1825 whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

A Certificate from Smithfield monthly meeting held 25th of 5^{mo} 1826 on behalf of Samuel Shove and Lydia his wife with their children viz. William Buffum, Hannah Baxter, Nancy Hacker and Josiah Shove which is accepted.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by

Lydia C. Smith. Clk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at 26th of 7th mo 1826

The representatives are for Providence Phoebe Holden and Dorcas Anthony for Smithfield Sarah Buffington and Phoebe Metcalf who are present.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2^d and 3^d from each of our preparative meetings, have been read in this and general answers selected which are to be

forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Congdon, Theber Metcalf and Sarah Buffington. whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their attendance at our next monthly meeting.

A communication was received and read in this meeting from the bridge monthly meeting held at Northbridge 30th of 6th mo 1826 informing that they had come to a conclusion to admit Patience Wall a member of our society provided this meeting unites therein Abigail Arnold, Lydia Breed, Lydia C. Smith and Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future sitting.

The men friends inform that they have come to the conclusion to appoint Joseph Metcalf to the station of an elder with which this meeting unites.

Lydia Breed reports that she has informed Hannah Jackson that she is received into membership.

And Lydia C. Smith to the same station. tho' omitted in

Signed on behalf of the meeting by
Lydia C. Smith Clerk

remaining

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 30th of 8th mo 1826.

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Coffin and Dorcas Anthony for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Abigail Arnold who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report their attendance except Sarah Buffington who was prevented by sickness.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by
Sarah Lockwood Clerk for the day

P. 11. At Providence monthly meeting of women friends
held 27th of 9th mo 1826.

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth
Congdon and Abigail Pierce for Smithfield Patience
Haskell and Lydia C. Smith who are present.

Transcripts of epistles from the year ly meetings
of Philadelphia, New York and Ohio have been read
at this time to satisfaction.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 25th of 10th mo 1826

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth
Congdon and Elizabeth Smith for Smithfield Sarah
Burrington and Patience Haskell who are present.

Answers to the three queries usually answered
have been received from each of our preparative
meetings and read in this from which we have selected
the such as appeared to be most applicable to our
present state and forward them to the Quarterly
meeting by Eunice Moteall, Elizabeth Congdon and
Anna A Jenkins whom we appoint to attend said meeting
and report their attendance at our next mo. meeting.

The committee in the case of Patience Wall report
that they do not find any thing that in their judgment
promises, at present, either usefulness to her or to society
by granting her request this meeting approves the
report and directs that a copy of this minute should
be forwarded to Uxbridge monthly meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends
held 23rd of 11th mo. 1826.

The representatives are for
Providence Sarah Coffin and Betsey Blinman
for Smithfield Deborah Will and Elizabeth Wilson
who are present except Elizabeth Wilson.

We are informed that the representatives to the
Quarterly meeting attended said meeting & verbally
to appointments.

A certificate from Richmond monthly
meeting was sent. It was received and read in
the meeting on behalf of Mary Davis which not
being signed by the clerk of the mens meeting we
have chosen to the conclusion to return it to said
meeting accompanied with a copy of this minute.

Providence prospective meeting informed
that Maria Buffum had removed to Smithfield
monthly meeting and requested our certificate
for herself and sons-in-law Lydia Bond and
they for testimony are appointed to prepare on
and present to next monthly meeting if they
find nothing to prevent.

Signed on behalf of the meeting

By Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 9th of 12th mo. 1826.

The representatives are for Providence
Anna S. Jenkins and Hannah Robinson for
Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Sarah Metcalf

M. Buffum's - all present

certificate
granted

The committee in the case of Maria Buffum's
request have presented a certificate which being
approved is signed and directed to be forwarded to
Smithfield monthly meeting.

Signed Abigail Arnold for the day.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held
24th of 1st month 1827. —

The representatives for Providence are Elizabeth Smith
and Elizabeth Congdon: For Smithfield Patience Haskell
and Phoebe Metcalf who are present except two. —

The queries and answers have been read and such selected as seem most descriptive of our present state, which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Mary G. Anthony and Abigail Conold, whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their attendance to our next monthly meeting. —

Signed by

Mary Ann Smith

Assistant Clerk

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 25th of 2nd month 1827. —

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth
Smith and Lydia Broad: For Smithfield Sarah
Buffington and Patience Haskell who are present. —

We are informed that the representatives attended
the Quarterly Meeting agreeably to appointment. —

This Meeting is informed that a year has expired
since the overseers of Society were appointed and the
representatives are instructed to introduce the subject
in their several preparative meetings that some names
may be brought forward to our next monthly meeting
to fill their places. —

A Certificate A Certificate has been received from Swansea —
for Israel Monthly meeting held 29th of 1st 1827. — on behalf of
Buffington Israel Buffington and Nancy B. Buffington ^{his wife} which
is accepted. — The time having expired for which
the Clerk and Assistant were appointed Elizabeth
Congdon and Lydia Broad are appointed to bring
forward names to fill their places. —

Signed on behalf of the meeting by Lydia C. Smith

Clerk

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held
23rd of 3rd month 1827—

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Coffin
and Rhoda Carle. For Smithfield Deborah Hill and
Dorcas Paine who are present except Deborah Hill.

Intercessors in
Society chosen, both
for the poor and Elizabeth Congdon for overseers of the poor—

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that they
propose Phoebe Mescaly Sarah Buffington and Lydia
C. Smith for overseers of Society for the ensuing
year, which is united with in this meeting, also Dorcas
Paine and Deborah Hill for overseers of the poor

Signed by Mary Ann Smith Clerk

For the day.—

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 25th of 4th month 1827—

The representatives are for Providence
Betsey Painton and Dorcas B. Anthony, for Smith-
field Abigail Arnold and Deborah Arnold who
are present.—

Clerk
Chosen
The friends appointed to bring forward names
for clerks propose Lydia C. Smith for clerk
who is appointed for the ensuing year.—

The queries with answers from our sever-
al preparative meetings have been read in
this and such selected as are thought to be
most descriptive of our present state and are
to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by
Mary G. Anthony Dorcas B. Anthony and Eunice
Mescaly whom we appoint to attend said meeting

Rhoda Carle
added to the
list of our
own—
and report their attendance at our next month-
ly meeting. Providence preparative meeting
proposes Rhoda Carle as an overseer of society
with which this meeting unites and appoints her

15. to that place for the ensuing year. --

Signed on behalf of the meeting by

Leydia C. Smith Clerk. --

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 30th of 5th month 1824 --

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Smith and Abigail Pierce: For Smithfield Patience Haskell and Sarah Moseley who are present. --

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended said meeting agreeably to appointment.

The committee in the case of clerks propose Mary Ann Smith as an assistant, clerk, which is united with in this meeting and she is accordingly appointed for the ensuing year.

Sarah Lockwood is appointed to take the records of this meeting under her care and record the proceedings thereof.

A certificate of certificate was read in this meeting from South --
for Catharine Kingston monthly meeting held 27th of 11th month 1826 --
Kingston, on behalf of Catharine Kingston, also one from Vantack --
received -- monthly meeting northern district held 23rd of 3rd month 1824 on behalf of Sarah Greene, which are accepted and are as follows. --

To Providence Monthly Meeting. --

Dear Friends,

Catharine Kingston, daughter of Solomon Kingston having removed some time since to Providence, we hereby certify that she is a member of our Society; and it appears by enquiry that her temporal concerns are left satisfactorily and that she is clear of marriage engagements with us -- as such we recommend her to your care and attention

Signed on behalf of by direction of S. P.
monthly Meeting held at Hopkinton the 24th of 11th mo. 1826

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By

Timothy C. Collins Clerk

Mary W. Collins Clerk for the day.

10 To her Monthly Meeting at Providence. —

Dear Friends

Sarah Greene having removed with
her husband to reside within the limits of your
Meeting requests our certificate. She being a mem-
ber in unity; as such we recommend, to your notice
Providence, Northern District, Monthly Meeting
3^d month 28th 1827. —

Charles J. Stubbbs Clerk.

Mary Coffin Clerk for the day.

This meeting is informed that Pessis Smith re-
quests a certificate of removal directed to Smith-
field monthly meeting. Eunice Metcalf and Phoebe
Metcalf are appointed to prepare one and present
to our next monthly meeting if they find nothing
to prevent. —

Signed on behalf of the meeting

By Lydia C. Smith Clerk. —

(1) Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held at Smithfield 2^d of 5th month 1827. —

P. Smith's
Certificate.

The representatives are for Providence —
Lydia Bird and Prudence Clark; For Smithfield
Sarah Metcalf and Virginia Arnold, who are present.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate
for Pessis Smith, presented one which with some
alteration is approved and directed to be forwarded
to Smithfield monthly meeting. —

Our Beloved friend Anna Braithwaite at
Providence attended this meeting and produced certificates
of concurrence from friends of Houdal month-
ly meeting in England held on the 2^d of 3^d
month 1825. And the 2^d of the 1st month 1827. —
with endorsements from the Leicester meeting
of Westmoreland held on the 1st of the 4th
month 1825. and the 5th of the 1st month 1827. —

17 and one from the meeting of ministers and elders held in London by adjournments from the 16th, 17th, 18th and 27th of the 5th moth 1825. Also one from the morning meeting of ministers and elders held in London 12th of 3rd moth 1827. — Her company hath been acceptable and her labors in the gospel have been strengthening and edifying. — Our esteemed friend Joanna Reader has also attended this meeting and produced a certificate from Starks-Madeis' borough monthly meeting held 4th of 5th moth 1827 — endorsed in the Quarterly meeting of Benningburgh held the 10th of 5th moth 1827. — Her company hath been acceptable —

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk —

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 25th of 7th moth 1827. —

The representatives are for Providence Dorcas B. Anthony and Elizabeth Smith; for Smithfield Phoebe Metcalf and Patience Huskell, who are present.

The queries with answers, the 1st, 2^d and 10th from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and such selected as appear most suitable for general answers and are to be transmitted to the Quarterly meeting by Phoebe Metcalf and Dorcas B. Anthony and Mary J. Anthony, whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their attendance at our next monthly meeting. —

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Urania M. Smith has removed to reside within the limits of Smithfield monthly meeting and requests our certificate we appoint Abigail Arnold and Eunice Metcalf to prepare one and present to our next monthly meeting if they find nothing to prevent. —

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk. —

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends,
held at Smithfield 29th of 5th moth 1824.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Coffin and Emey Congdon; for Smithfield Eunice Hiscaly and Abigail Arnold who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they attended.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Urania M. Smith presented one which is approved and signed and is directed to be forwarded to Smithfield monthly meeting.

To Smithfield monthly meeting.

a certificate
in Urania
Smith
presented

Urania M. Smith has removed to reside within the limits of your monthly meeting and requests our certificate she being a member of our religious society clear of marriage engagements as far as appears and having settled her temporal concerns to satisfaction we recommend her to your christian care and oversight.

R. M. Peck Providence. In narrative meeting informs
Reuben Chase that Rachel M. Peck proposed publishing
published this her intention of marriage with Reuben
intentions of Chase. they accordingly appeared and de-
marriage. clared their intentions of taking each other
in marriage and this meeting appoints
Elizabeth Smith and Mary J. Anthony to
take the necessary care in the case and re-
port at our next monthly meeting.

Providence In narrative ^{meeting} also informs
H. Adrich that Ann S. Aldrich had requested the care
request for her friends for her children namely Eliza-
children. - beth Mary Joseph and Isaac and that Emilie
Aldrich has made a similar request for her-
self this meeting appoints Hannah Chase
Dorcas B. Anthony and Sarah Coffin and Abi-
gail Arnold to unite with the mens committee

19. in visiting the family and report when the service is accomplished.

An epistle from our Yearly meeting held in the 5th moth has been received and read at this time to satisfaction. -- The report of the boarding-school committee has been read in this meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
(By Lydia E. Smith Clerk--

Providence Monthly meeting women friends held 26th of 9th moth 1824--

The representatives for Providence are, Elizabeth Smith and Mary J. Anthony; For Smithfield Patience Haskell and Phoebe Metcalf who are present

The committee, in case of Rachel Wilson Dick, find nothing to hinder her proceeding in marriage with Ruben Chase according to the good order of our Society, we appoint Mary J. Anthony and Elizabeth Smith to attend the marriage of Mary Swan and report next monthly meeting. A certificate on the certificate book of Mary Swan from Richmond monthly meeting received. held 18th of 5th moth 1824 which is accepted and is as follows.*

Signed by Mary Ann Smith

Assistant Clerk--

* To the monthly meeting of friends at Providence. --

Mary Swan having removed within the limits of your monthly meeting requested our certificate these may certify that she is a member our meeting and nothing appears but that she has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction --

Signed by direction and on behalf of
Richmond Monthly Meeting held the
13th of 5th moth 1826--

Martha Harkness) Clerks
Elijah Harkness)

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 21st of 10th moth 1824. —

The representatives are for Providence Mary J. Anthony and Phoebe H. Holden; For Smithfield Phoebe Metcalf and Patience Haskell who are present. —

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2^d and 10th have from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this meeting and general answers selected which we transmit to the Quarterly Meeting by Rhoda Earle and Eunice Metcalf whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their attendance at our next monthly meeting. —

Smithfield preparative meeting informed Lydia B. that Lydia B. Smith proposed publishing her intention of marriage with Charles Metcalf before Charles Metcalf. At this meeting they accordingly appeared and declared their intention of taking each other in marriage and appointed Eunice Metcalf and Dorcas Paine as appointed witnesses to take the necessary care in the case and report next of Marriage month.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Rachel W. Peck and Reuben Chace report that it was accomplished in a satisfactory manner. — The committee in the case of Emeline Aldrich's request, report that they have had a satisfactory opportunity with her and believe her to be sincere in this meeting unites with the report and she is admitted into membership with friends; and the joint committee also of men and women friends appointed to visit the family on the application of Ann L. Aldrich for her children, report that they have not found any thing better could be done under all the circumstances of the case than to comply with the request; this meeting unites with the report, and admits them members of our Society and the committee are continued to inform the

children &c &c

28. family of the decision of his meeting.

We are informed by the men friends that John Lawton and Anna his wife being about to remove to reside within the limits of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting and requesting our certificate directed them to Mary G. Anthony and Phile H. Holden are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

By Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 20th of 11th Moth 1827.

The representatives are for Providence Phoebe Carl and Phile H. Holden; for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Dorcas Paine, who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended said meeting.

The friends appointed to inquire into Lydia B. Smith's cleanness of marriage engagement report that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Charles Metcalf, they are therefore left at liberty to proceed agreeably to the established order of friends and Lydia C. Smith and Elizabeth Smith are appointed to attend ^{the} solemnization thereof and report their attendance at our next monthly meeting.

This meeting is informed that the committee in the case of Ann S. Aldrich's request for her children have attended to their appointment.

Sarah A. Arnold late Hadworn disowned from Society. Providence preparative meeting informs that Sarah Arnold late Hadworn has united herself in marriage with her first cousin, contrary to the discipline of society and has been previously treated with a- agreeably thereto. This meeting after a time of deliberation upon the subject concludes to disown unity with her as a member and Betsy P. P. is ap-

joined to inform her of the conclusion of this meeting.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Elizabeth Eison wife of William Eison has removed to reside within the limits of Greenwich monthly meeting and requested our certificate directed thru to Phoebe Metcalf and Abigail Arnold as appointed to prepare one if they find nothing to prevent.

A certificate was received in this meeting from Greenwich monthly meeting held the 1st 10th moth 1827 on behalf of Hannah Sheffield Wilbur

A certificate which is accepted and is as follows

has been received

on behalf of M.

P. Wilbur.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends

Dear Friends

Hannah Sheffield Wilbur having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting requests our certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious society, of orderly life and conversation, pretty careful to attend meetings and nothing appears but that her outward affairs are settled to satisfaction.

With desires for her preservation we recommend her to your christian care and all your friends.

Signed on behalf of Greenwich Monthly Meeting of women friends held 10th moth 20th 1827

A Certificate

granted to John

Lawson wife

Lois Anthony Clerk. A certificate has been presented for John Lawson and wife, which being approved and signed is to be forwarded to Rhode Island monthly meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith.

Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends
held at Smithfield 26th of 12th month 1827 - - -

The representatives are for Providence Friends
B. Anthony and Lydia Dred; For Smithfield
Deborah Arnold and Eunice Metcalf who are present
except Isaac B. Anthony who is prevented by indispo-
sition.

One of the committee appointed to attend
Charles & the marriage of Charles Metcalf and Lydia B. Metcalf
L. B. Metcalf reports that it was conducted in a satisfactory man-
ner.

The committee appointed to purchase a certifi-
cate for Elizabeth Elson presented one which is
approved and is to be signed and forwarded to
Greenwich Monthly Meeting -

Elizabeth
Elson's attended to her appointment in the case of
certificate Sarah Arnold.

A communication was received and read
in this meeting from Lydia Scott in which she
wishes to relinquish her right of membership in
our society; and Lydia Breed Abigail Arnold
and Betsey Purinton are appointed to take the
case under their care and report at a future
meeting. -

Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Lydia C. Smith Clerk -

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held 30th of 8th month 1828 - - -

The representatives are for Provi-
dence Sarah Coffin and Elizabeth Congdon; For
Smithfield Isaac Paine and Lydia B. Metcalf
who are present.

The queries have been read in this

meeting with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th -
 from each of our Preparative Meetings and
 such selected as general answers as appeared
 to represent the present state of the meeting
 and are to be transmitted to the Quarterly Meet-
 ing by Sarah Medcalf Lydia Bond and
 Abigail Arnold whom we appoint to attend
 said meeting and report next month - -

Providence. Preparative Meeting in-
 forms that Rachel W. Chase has moved to
 live with her husband Reuben Chase within
 the limits of Swansea Monthly Meeting
 and requests our certificate directed unto
 Mrs G. Anthony and Abigail Pierce are
 appointed to prepare one and present
 to our next monthly meeting if they find
 nothing to prevent - -

Transcripts of epistles the yearly-
 meetings of London Philadelphia and
 New-York have been read at this time
 to satisfaction.

A Certificate for C. D. L. with Monthly Meeting held 30th of 7th moth
 showed family 1827 - on behalf of Calvin Shove and Sarah
 Gunn Shove his wife with Wilbur Shove's son
 which is accepted - - -

Signed on behalf of the meeting -

By
 Lydia C. Smith - Clerk -

- 61 - Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 27th of 2^d mo 1828.

The representatives from Smithfield, preparative meeting are Deborah Arnold and Faticene Haskell; For Providence Elizabeth Smith and Rhoda Calk, who are all present except Deborah Arnold. - -

This meeting is informed that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting all attended to the appointment. - -

A part of the committee appointed in case of Lydia Scott's communication inform that they have had an interview with her, and that she still continues a wish to relinquish her right of membership in our religious society, and she having for some time neglected the attendance of our meetings and otherwise manifested that she was not one with us in principle or practice. This meeting therefore after some labour and due deliberation on the subject conclude to disown unity with her as a member, and Abigail Arnold is appointed to inform her of the same and report next month. - - -

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for Rachel W. Chase presented one which has been read approved and signed and is to be forwarded to Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Our friend, Betsey Furinton opened in this meeting a concern that had for some time interested on her mind to attend the approaching yearly meetings of Philadelphia and New York and some other meetings in the way. Much unity and sympathy have been expressed with her concern and by request of the men's meeting the subject is referred until next monthly meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by Abigail Arnold.
Clerk for the day. - - -

at Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 26th of 3rd month 1828. — — —

The representatives for Providence are Abigail Hainy and Mary J Anthony, for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Hannah Metcalf who are present. — —

Abigail Arnold informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Lydia Scott. — —

Transcripts of epistles from the Yearly Meetings of Ohio and Indiana have been read at this time to satisfaction.

We are inform'd by the men that Seneca Congdon is about to remove within the limits of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting and requests our certificate for himself and Amy his wife, with their daughter, a minor; This meeting appoints Mary J Anthony and Abigail Arnold to unite with the men's committee in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.

The men friends inform that they have concluded to set Betsey Buinton at liberty to pursue the prospect spread before our last monthly meeting and produced a minute which is united with in this meeting and signed. — —

Signed on behalf of the meeting
(By Lydia C. Smith
Clerk) — — —

B. Buinton's
Minute
granted. —

At Providence Monthly Meeting of
Women Friends held at Smithfield 23rd
of 4th moth 1828. —

The representatives are for Providence
Lydia Breed and Dorcas B. Anthony: For
Smithfield, Abigail Arnold and Patience Haskell
who are present.

The queries with answers to each of them have
been read in this meeting and such selected as
appeared most suitable to represent the present
state of society and are to be forwarded to the
Quarterly Meeting by Abigail Arnold, Elizabeth
Smith, and Dorcas Paine whom we appoint
to attend said meeting and report at our
next monthly meeting. —

This meeting is informed that the year
has expired for which the overseers of society
were appointed.

The clerk informed that a year had ex-
pired since her appointment to that place,
Abigail Arnold and Lydia Breed are
appointed to select some names for clerk
and assistant and present to our next
monthly meeting.

A certificate was presented for Seneca Congdon
and wife with Ann Paine their daughter which
is approved and signed and is to be forwarded
to Abbridge monthly meeting. —

Certificate
granted for
S. Congdon,
wife and
Daughter.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by
Lydia B. Smith
Clerk. —

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends
held 28th of 5th month 1823.---

The representatives for Smithfield are
Cunice Metcalf and Deborah Hill; for
Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Rhoda
Carr, who are all present.

Abigail Arnold and Sarah Lockwood
being proposed for clerk and assistant
are appointed to serve the meeting the
ensuing year.---

Dirk.

Chosen.

Smithfield preparative meeting proposes
overseers Dorcas Prime and Phoebe Metcalf for over-
sight of society - which being approved they
are appointed to said service for the ensuing
year.---

Deborah Hill and Patience Haskell are
also proposed and appointed as overseers of the
poor.---

The appointment of overseers in Providence
preparative meeting is referred to next Monthly
Meeting.---

This meeting is informed that the repre-
sentatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended to the
appointment.

A certificate from Greenwich Monthly
Sarah Scale Meeting on behalf of Sarah Scale was
and Mary Viny presented to this meeting on behalf of Mary
certificates. Being both residents within the limits of
our meeting, but they being directed to the
Monthly Meeting of women friends only, it is
the conclusion of this meeting that it will be
proper to return them and the clerk is di-
rected to forward them with a copy of this
minute to Greenwich Monthly Meeting.---

Abigail Arnold clerk.~

Oct Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield, 25th of 6th month 1828.

Representatives for Smithfield are Deborah Arnold and Fannie Haskell, for Providence

Mary J. Cuthbert and Susan Coggins who are present.

Elizabeth Smith and Phebe H. Holden are proposed as overseers of Society for Providence jurisdiction. Appointed meeting and it being approved in this meeting they are appointed to said service the ensuing year.

Our beloved friend Anna Braithwaite has again been very acceptably with us at this month's meeting - her companion Mary Clinson has produced a certificate of the unity of friend of Burlington with her own Monthly Meeting in the prospect of accompanying Anna Braithwaite in her religious services in this country she being an elder in unity with them - her company - has also been very acceptable to us at this time.

A certificate on behalf of Sarah Scale dated 4th moth 23th 1828 - being returned from Greenwich monthly Meeting with a satisfactory direction is accepted in this meeting and is as follows.

To Providence monthly meeting
Dear Friends,

Sarah Scale having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting requests on her certificate, this may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious society of orderly life and conversation and a diligent attendee of meetings and upon enquiry her outward affairs are settled to satisfaction. With desire for her preservation we recommend her to your Christian care and your friends. Signed on behalf and by direction of Greenwich Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Cranston. - 4th moth 23th 1828. -

Lois Anthony Clerk. - -

One also from May they dated 3^d moth 31st 1828.
is returned and accepted in this meeting and
is as follows-

To Providence Monthly Meeting.-

Dear friends,

May Amy having moved
within the limits of your meeting requests our
certificate.

This may certify that she is a mem-
ber of our religious society, of consistent life
and conversation as far as appears and her
outward affairs are settled to satisfaction.

With desire for the preservation in the
truth we recommend her to your christian
care and are your friends. -

Signed on behalf and by direction
of Greenwich monthly meeting of women
friends held at East Greenwich 3^d moth 31st
1828. - Lois Anthony Clerk. -

Our friend Peggy Durinton returned to
Barnstable this meeting the copy of a minute furnished
her in the 3^d moth last, with an endorse-
ment from the yearly meeting of Ministers
and Elders from the 24th of 5th moth 1828...
the 3^d of 6th moth 1828... in which they express
that her company and religious services
have been truly acceptable to them. -

Mary J. Anthony and Elizabeth Congdon
being proposed for overseers of the poor of
the poor society and the nomination being united
with in this meeting they are appointed
to said service the ensuing year. -

Signed by

Abigail Arnold

Clerk. -

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends
held 30th of 4th moth 1828. —

Representatives are for Providence
Abigail Pince and Dorcas B. Anthony; for Smithfield
Deborah Hill and Eunice Chetcall who are present. —

The clerk being absent Lydia C. Smith is ap-
pointed for the day.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2^d and 10th
have been read in this meeting and such selected
as appeared most suitable for general answers and
are to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Phoebe
Chetcall and Lydia Dred whom we appoint it at
said meeting and report their attendance at
our next monthly meeting.

Providence preparative meeting informs
that Hannah Jackson proposes publishing her
intentions of marriage of Samy Dennis before this
meeting. They accordingly appeared and declared their
intentions of taking each other in marriage. Sarah
Coffin and Abigail Pince are appointed to take
the necessary care in the case and report next month.
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Providence preparative meeting informs that
Susan W. Slack, late Jackson, has departed from
the order of society in divers respects and has
united herself in marriage with a person not
in profession with us, this meeting appoints Lydia
Dred and Elizabeth Congdon to treat with her
on the subject and report when the service is
accomplished. —

We are informed by the men that Israel
Buffington has removed to Swansea monthly
meeting and requested a certificate for himself
and wife. We appoint Debez Quinton and Deborah
Hill to unite with a committee of men friends in
preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.
Signed by — Lydia C. Smith clerk for the day

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 27th of 8th month 1828. -

The representatives for Providence are Elizabeth Congdon and Lydia Reed; for Smithfield Phoebe Metcalf and Deborah Arnold who are all present. -

The friends appointed to attend said meeting report that they attended to said appointment. - -

The committee in the case of a complaint against Susan H. Slack formerly Jackson report that they have visited her and that she manifested no disposition to be retained a member of our society - we therefore with the concurrence of the many meeting disown unity with her as a member of our re-
 disowned religious society. - Betsey Purington is appointed to inform her of the same.

The committee in the case of Hannah Jackson's proposition report that nothing appears to hinder her proceeding in marriage with Mary Dennis. Abby Pierce and Phoebe Holden are appointed to attend the Marriage and report next monthly meeting. -

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Mary How formerly Cook has joined herself in marriage with one who is not a member of our religious society. - Mary G. Anthony and Dorcas B. Anthony are appointed to take charge of the subject and report when ready. - -

Communications There was received and read in this month's meeting a communication from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode-
 Island in the 5th moth 1828. - containing

and remarks respecting the present state of society together with a report from the committee of the Yearly Meeting boarding school - also an epistle from the Yearly Meeting of men and women friends containing much deep, savoury and interesting matter, which has been used we trust to our edification and comfort. - -

The committee in the case of Israel Buffington, request for a certificate has presented one for Israel himself and wife which being satisfactory is signed by the clerk - and is to be forwarded to certificate Swansy Monthly Meeting -
granted. Signed by Abigail Arnold Clerk.

St Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 24th of 9th moth 1823. -

The representatives for Smithfield are Sarah Metcalf and Milly Daine; for Providence Abigail Francis and Betsey Quinton - all present Samuel except one. - -

^{Tobey} Providence preparative meeting informs Leah that Samuel B Tobey and Sarah Lockwood Lockwood propose laying their intentions of marriage published before this meeting, they accordingly appeared this morn and declared their intention of taking each other in marriage. - Betsey Quinton and Leah Lockwood are appointed to make the necessary inquiry and report next monthly meeting.

William Said preparative meeting also informed Robinson that William A Robinson and Dorcas B Hadwen Dorcas have made the same proposition. They also Hadwen appeared in this meeting and declared their published intention of taking each in marriage. - Lydia and Breda and Abigail Arnold are appointed to take the necessary care and report at our Marriage next monthly meeting. - -

The friend appointed to inform Susan Lock

of her disavowment reports that the information has been given her ---

The committee in the case of Mary E. How report that they have written to her on the subject and she has replied in which reply she manifests a wish that friends would retain her a member of our society; -

It is the conclusion of this meeting that a few lines be written to Rhode-Island monthly meeting requesting their attention to the subject which the clerk is directed to sign on behalf of the meeting and forward to that meeting. -

Minutes One of the committee in the case of Eliza Jackson's marriage reports that she attended agreeable to appointment and saw order - nothing but what was conducted orderly. - conducted

Sarah Mescall Abigail Arnold Mary G. Anthony and Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in selecting children as suitable objects to receive the privilege of the benevolent fund in the Yearly Meeting boarding school.

Signed on behalf of the meeting

By Abigail Arnold Clerk. -
Clerk -

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 29th of 10th moth 1828. -

The representatives for Providence in Mary Cook and Sarah Coffin; for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Abigail Arnold all present except one.

The committee in the case of Sarah Lockwood's intention of marriage report that nothing appears to prevent her proceeding, therefore with Samuel B. Tobey - they have produced consent of parents and are left at liberty to

accomplish the same agreeable to the order of friends. Lydia Breed and Anna A. Jenkins are appointed to attend the marriage and report next month. --

The committee in regard to Dorcas B. Hadwen's intention of marriage report that nothing appears to hinder her proceeding in marriage with William C. Robinson, they having produced parents consent are left at liberty to accomplish the same agreeable to the order of friends. -- Betsey Quinton and Abigail Arnold are appointed to attend said marriage and report next month. --

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2^d and 10th have been read in this meeting and general answers selected which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Mary G. Anthony and -- Dorcas Paine who are appointed to attend said meeting and report to next monthly meeting. --

The clerk having produced a communication to Newport monthly meeting relative to Mary C. How it is approved in this meeting and she is directed to it on behalf of the meeting and forward the same to Newport meeting. --

A certificate on behalf of Hannah Hussey and sons from Antucket monthly meeting for the Northern district held 24th of 9th month 1828, was presented and read in this meeting. -- Anna A. Jenkins and Betsey Quinton are appointed to visit the friend and report next monthly meeting. --

Signed on behalf of the
meeting by --
Abigail Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held 26th of 11th mo. 1828. —

The representatives for Smithfield
are Sarah Buffington and Phoebe Metcalf —
for Providence Mary G. Conshong and Elizabeth
Longdon all present except two one of which
sent a satisfactory reason for her absence. —

The committee in case of Sarah Lockwood's
marriage report that it was conducted ^{in an} orderly
Lockwood manner. —

The committee in case of Dorcas B. Hadwen's
marriage also report that it was conducted consis-
derately but with the order of friends. —

The friends appointed report that they
attended the Quarterly meeting and had in
also consigned the transcripts of epistles, which are
presented to the meeting. —

The friends appointed to visit Hannah
Hussey report that they have made her a
visit and approve of her certificate being
accepted and the subject being considered
in this meeting it is united with and the
following certificate accepted. —

Transcripts of Epistles from London
copied at the North-Carolina, Virginia and Ohio have
been acceptably read in this meeting. —

The truly and instructive contents thereof
we trust will tend to our edification and
encouragement. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
By Abigail Arnold
Clerk. —

Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends, held at Smithfield 12th mo, 24th 1828. ---

The representatives for Providence, are
Betsey Quinton and Hannah Robinson; for
Smithfield, Patience Haskell and Abigail Arnold,
who are all present. --

Transcripts of epistles from the yearly meetings
of New-York, Philadelphia and Indiana
have been acceptably read at this time, and
we trust we have been anewly strengthened
and encouraged at this ~~time~~ holyby. ---

Signed on behalf of the meeting

By (Chas. Arnold Clerk. —

Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held ~~last~~ 1st and 28th 1829. --

The representatives for Providence are
Harry G. Anthony and Elizabeth Congdon; for
Smithfield, Dorcas Dain and Sarah Buffington
all present except one.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2^d, and 10th, from each of our preparative meetings have been read and general answers selected from them which are to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Betsey Furinton, Abigail Arnold, and Sarah Buffington, who are appointed representatives to attend said Quarterly Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
By Abigail Arnold Clark.

Providence Monthly Meeting
of some friends held at Smithfield
25th mo 25th 1829. --

The representatives from Providence are
Sarah Coffin and Mary G. Anthony. -- There
has been no minute received at this time
from Smithfield preparative Meeting.

We are informed that the representatives
to the Quarterly Meeting all attended to
their appointment.

There was received and read in this
Meeting a communication from Rhode-
Island Monthly Meeting with the follow-
ing report of a committee of Men and
Rhode Is. Women friends relative to Mary C. Moore
Monthly Meeting which is united with in this meeting
respecting and having the concurrence of the
Mary C. Moore's Meeting therein be disown unity
with her as a member of our religious
society and Mary G. Anthony is ap-
pointed to inform her thereof.

A certificate from the Monthly
meeting of Dartmouth dated 12th mo 24th 1828.
on behalf of Esther Shearman Widows
who has removed to live within the
compass of our meeting was received
and read we appointed Lydia Broad
and Elizabeth Congdon to take charge
of the subject and report to next meeting
of this Providence preparative Meeting
certify in form that Mary C. Moore has returned
to live within the limits of Greenwich
Monthly Meeting and requests our certificate
a few lines on her behalf being prepared and approved
in this meeting and the same, as to be forwarded to Greenwich
Monthly Meeting. -- Sarah Coffin Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of
women friends held 3rd mo, 25th 1859.

The representatives for Smithfield
are Patience Haskell and Sarah Mitchell for
Providence Sarah Coffin and Elizabeth Longdon
who are all present.

The friends appointed in case of Esther
Sharman's certificate have not sufficiently
inform'd themselves to make a decisive report
at this time; the subject is referred to next meeting
under the same friends' care.

The friend appointed to inform Mary to whom
of her appointment reports that she has attended
to said appointment.

The minutes of Smithfield preparative
meeting for last month was produced and read
in this meeting.

Daniel Our friend Daniel Pucket has been acceptable
Pucket, with us at this time and produced a certifi-
visit cate of his unity and sympathy of friends of
New-Garden Monthly Meeting Indiana
held 4th mo 19th 52^d. By the Quarterly
Meeting of New-Garden Indiana held
26th of 7th mo, 52^d with him in his prospect
of paying a religious visit to friends within
our yearly meeting. A certificate has been
received from the Monthly Meeting of
New-York held 4th of 2^d mo, 52^d on behalf
Holden of Holden & Weeden, who has removed to reside
Weeden's within the limits of our meeting with his
certification two children, namely George Anthony
received. Weeden and Emma Anthony Weeden, which
is accepted.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
By Elizabeth Arnold Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of
women friends held at Smithfield 4th mo 28th 1829.

The representatives for Smithfield
are Sarah Phelps and Abigail Arnold; for
Providence Elizabeth Smith and Phoebe Holden,
present except one.

We have received answers to the queries from
each of our preparative meetings from which
we have selected general answers and for-
ward them to the Quarterly Meeting by our
representatives Mary G. Anthony Elizabeth
Longdon and Dorcas Paine who are ap-
pointed to attend said meeting. -

Smithfield preparative informs that
Esther Mathewson formerly Cook has joined
herself in marriage with one who is not a
member of our society; we appoint Dorcas
Paine and Lydia Breed to visit her on
the occasion and report to next meeting.

Hannah J. Dennis wife of James Dennis
having removed to reside within the limits of
Greenwich Monthly Meeting requests our cer-
tificate; we appoint Sarah L. Tobey and
Elizabeth Longdon to attend to the subject
and produce one to next meeting.

Dorcas B. Robinson wife of William
Robinson having removed to reside within
the compass of South Kingstown Monthly
Meeting requests our certificate thereto. We
appoint Mary G. Anthony and Abigail Arnold
to attend to the subject and report to
next meeting.

The friends appointed in case of Esther
Shurman's certificate report that on further
investigation it appears that she does not

48. reside within the limits of this meeting, but at the time of the inquiry she was within the limits of Greenwich monthly meeting. it is therefore concluded by this meeting that the certificate should be returned to Dartmouth monthly meeting with this information and the clerk is directed to furnish that meeting with a copy of this minute.

A copy of a minute from the monthly meeting of women friends at Swansea held 30th of 3rd mo, 1829 expressive of the right of membership in our society of Elizabeth Buffinton who is now a resident within the limits of our meeting was read and accepted and is as follows.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends.

This meeting was informed that Elizabeth Buffinton had gone to reside within the limits of your meeting she being a member of this the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Signed on direction of Swansea Monthly meeting held at Somerset 3rd mo 30, 1829.
Rebecca Shove Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women held 24th of 5th mo, 1829.

The representatives for Smithfield are Phoebe Russell and Dorcas Paine; for Providence Mary J. Anthony and Rhoda Carle - present except one, who was prevented by indisposition.

The representatives inform that they all attended the Quarterly Meeting agreeable to appointment.

The committee in the case of Maria Mathe-
son.

reports that they have not yet been able to get an interview with her the subject is referred to next meeting under the same finding case.

Certificate from Smithfield. Monthly Bazaar Meeting held 30th of 4th month 1832 on Chase's behalf on Burgess' case and accompanying certificate signed by him and others. Received Burgess, Amasa and Joseph B. Chase has read in my meeting and is accepted, &

A certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Weymouth held at Backman 3rd month 3rd on behalf of Dea Howland and Ruth Howland, his wife has read and accepted.

The committee in case of Emma Sheffield's certificate not being ready to report the subject is referred under their care till next meeting

Providence preparative informs that Abigail Pierce expects to remove into the state of New York within the verge of Shapapaqua Monthly Meeting and requests a certificate thereto we appoint Sarah Coffin and Phoebe H. Holden to attend to the subject and produce one to next meeting.

Abigail Arnold Clerk,

and is as follows,

To Providence Monthly Meeting
Dear Friends Burgess Chase and Enochah
his wife with their children Amasa Benjamin B Burgess,
Amasa and Joseph B Chase having removed to live
within the verge of your meeting requested our certifi-
cate. This may certify that they are members of our
society, pretty diligent attenders of Meeting when
circumstances would admit and in a good
degree of order & lives and as far as appears has
settled his affairs to satisfaction, as such we recommend
him to your Christian care. Signed in and on behalf of
Smithfield Monthly Meeting held 30th of 4th 1832.

John Ashmun Clerk,
Amasa Burgess atty.

Providence Monthly Meeting of
women friends, held at Smithfield, 6th month
24th 1829. T

The representatives for Smithfield
are, Deborah Arnold and Sarah Metcalf; for
Providence, Elizabeth Congdon and Sarah Charles,
all present except one.

The committee in the case of Eliza Mathewson
not being ready to report, the case is again
referred till next meeting under their care.

The case of Emma Sheffield's certificate is
also referred under the same friends' care, till
next meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare a
Byeail certificate for Oliver Pierce have produced one
Pierce which with a little alteration being approved,
the certificate is signed by the clerk.

Our beloved friend Anna McThorn and
her companion Wait - ranton, from New Dartmouth
visit from Monthly Meeting, have been very acceptably with
Anna Thayer at this time.

The time being expired for which the clerk
was appointed to serve this meeting, Elizabeth
Congdon and Betsey Furinton ^{are appointed} to take charge
of the subject and propose some person to
next meeting, to fill that place.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held at Providence 14th month 29th

The representatives for Providence are;
Elizabeth Smith and Sarah Coffin; for
Smithfield Patience Haskell and Sarah
Burrington two of whom are present.

The friends appointed on the subject of
clerks have proposed Bygail Arnold for clerk.

Ans. and I have been for assistant, which
Appointment being concurred with they are appointed to
clerk. said service the ensuing year—

We have received answers to the 1st, 2^d, 3^d, 10th
queries from each of our preparatory meetings
from which we have selected general answers,
which are to be forwarded to the Quarterly
Meeting by our friends (Sarah Hilditch and
Lydia Broad, who are appointed representatives
to said meeting.

The committee in case of Emma Sheffield's
certificate report that they think it may
be proper to accept said certificate, which
is accordingly accepted and she received
a member of this meeting—

Emma
Sheffield's
certificate

Providence Monthly Meeting
of Friends.

Dear Friends,

Emma Sheffield
a minor child, having removed to reside
with her mother at a distance of
about 100 miles from the town of your
meeting, and her mother having re-
quested a certificate on her behalf
they are to certify that she is a
member of our society, we recommend
her to your Christian care and over-
sight.

Signed in behalf and in pres-
ence of the Providence Monthly Meeting
held at Boston 23rd & 24th month 1849.

By Timothy C. Collins
Elizabeth Peckham

The decision The committee in the case of Eliza Mathewson
of Eliza report as follows which is accepted in this meeting
Mathewson and it is the conclusion thereof to disown unity
case

45. with her as a member and put her from under
their care as such; Lydia Breed is appointed to
inform her thereof. ^{The report is as follows} To Providence Monthly
Meeting. Equally to our appointment we have
had an opportunity with Chia Matherson and we
do not think that she so appreciates the value of
a right ~~off~~ ^{or right} of membership in society as
to be useful therein; or that further labour with her
in her present state of mind would be likely to be
attended with benefit to her; it is therefore our judg-
ment that the discipline should take its course
resisting her. which we submit to the Monthly
Meeting.

Providence 7th mo 29 1829. By Lydia Breed.

To certify on behalf of Caroline & Harriett wife of Rowland
& Harriett, from the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Middletown
Bucks County Penn. held 6th of 3rd mo 1829, was received and accepted
in this meeting. To the Monthly Meeting of Friends R. I.
Dear Friends,

Application being made by Caroline & Harriett
for our certificate, who resides with her husband Rowland &
Caroline Harriett, within the limits of your Meeting, no objection a/c
& Harriett; hearing we recommend her a member of our religious
certifi society to your christian care. And remain your friends.
cate.

Signed in and on behalf of Middletown Monthly
Meeting of friends held the 6th of the 3rd mo 1829. by

Samuel L.

Ann Dapson clerk
for the day.

To certify from the Monthly Meeting of friends at Greenwich
held at Cranston 6th mo 29, 1829, on behalf of Barbara Batty who had

Barbara removed to live within the limits of our meeting was received and
Batty accepted in this meeting. Providence, preparative meeting in form
certifi that Mary Benson had made a request to be admitted a member
cate record of our religious society. We appoint Anna A. Jenkins and Lydia Breed
ed at to take charge of the subject and report to this meeting when ready.
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Smithfield preparative Meeting. propose Dorcas Pain and Phil Metcalf
to the place of overseers of society which being considered and
approved in this meeting they are appointed to said service

The ensuing year's report of the committee on the subject of the poor is referred to next meeting. Missif Arnold clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women
held at Smithfield 34th mo 26th 1829.

The representatives for Smithfield are
Dorcas Glover and Elizabeth Hilditch, for Providence
Mary G. Clapham and Phoebe Cook, present
except one. The representatives to the Quarterly
meeting report that they attended to the
appointments and presented to the meeting
handwritten Epistles from the several
different Yearly Meetings.

Providence preparative meeting proposes
Dorcas Clapham and Phoebe Hilditch
Dorcas Glover for overseers of society, which service is
conferred with them and they are appointed to said service
appointed the ensuing year.

Mary G. Clapham and Elizabeth are
Dorcas also proposed as overseers of the poor, which
the poor is conferred with and they are appointed to
appointed said service for the year ensuing.

Patience Haskell and Elizabeth Hilditch
being proposed as overseers of the poor for
Smithfield preparative meeting they are
appointed to said service the ensuing year.

This meeting is informed that Hannah
Livesey having returned to Fairbairn
against our certificate to that meeting
Abigail Lacey and Abigail Cronold are
appointed to attend to the subject, and
report to next meeting.

One of the representatives to last meeting
informing that sickness prevented her
attending to the appointment.

Handwritten Epistles from the several
meetings, of London, Virginia, Indiana
& Ohio have been received and at
this time containing much service

47. matter which we trust will tend to our animation
and encouragement.

Abigail Arnold to read -

Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held at Providence 23rd of 9th moth 1829.

The representatives for Providence are Dorcas
B. Matheson and Sarah H. Holden; for Smithfield
Abigail Arnold and Sarah Mabel; all Present.

Lydia Bred reports that she has informed
Chia Matheson of the decision of this meeting.

Transcripts of letters from the Yearly
meetings of Philadelphia and New York have
been very acceptably read at this time.

A satisfactory annual report of the committee
of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School has been
read in this meeting and is as follows.

Y. M. B. At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for
School New-England, held on Rhode Island from the
week. 14th to the 18th inclusive, of 6th month 1829.

The following report of the Boarding
School committee was read and considered, and
being satisfactory, to this meeting the clerk is di-
rected to forward copies thereof to our several
Monthly Meetings,

From the minutes of said meeting.

Graham Shearman (Clerk.)

To The Yearly Meeting.

The Boarding School Committee Report
That in pursuance of their appointment they
have paid attention to the superintendence of
the Institution for the year past, and believe
that its various concerns have been conducted in
accordance with design of Friends in its estab-
lishment; and meetings for worship have
been kept up.

The School has been conducted during the past year under the care of Enock and Lydia Breed as Superintendants, who still remain in that capacity, and Stephen and Hannah Gould have been usefully engaged as assistants in the cares of the institutions for a few months past.

Saiah Jones, Moses Mitchell, Joseph Hoag, Abigail Peice, Mary Abney, Lydia B. Allen, and Sarah Fry, have been engaged as Teachers, during most of the year.

Several of these have left or are about leaving the School, and the committee have made and are making arrangements to supply their places.

The greatest number of scholars at any one time as reported to the committee, was one hundred and eighty four; The average number during the year, one hundred and thirty five; and the good conduct and improvement manifested, has been generally satisfactory to the committee.

The accounts of ^{the} Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendant have been received and audited, and the state of the Fund is such that the committee think it safe to propose to the Yearly Meeting, that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at twelve dollars and a half per quarter, and that the several Monthly Meetings again have the privilege of sending one child through the year, or two children six months each, free of expense; and that when, from any peculiarity of circumstances, the committees of Monthly Meetings may consider it desirable

42. to send a child for three months only, they have the liberty of doing it, provided that no more than two children be at the institution at one time from the same monthly Meeting, on this privilege. And being apprised that the two Monthly Meetings on Nantucket have been united into one meeting, the Committee after considering the circumstance propose that the united Meeting have the same privilege of sending children to the School, as has hitherto been enjoy'd by the two Monthly Meetings separately.

Signed on behalf of the committee
by

Moses Brown,
Providence 5th mo. 3^d 1829. Mary B. Allen.

This was handed in from the men's meeting and read in this some extracts from the minutes our last Yearly Meeting of friends, held on Rhode Island from the 14th to the 18th of 6th month 1829. Containing the names of corresponding committees appointed in the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings constituting the Yearly - Meetings of Pennsylvania, New York, Baltimore, Ohio & Indiana, with a paragraph which it is recommended should be inserted in our Books of discipline and is as follows.

Minute.

Of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island from the 14th to the 18th inclusive, of 6th mo. 1829. --

The Committee on the state of Society proposed the adoption of the following minute, which claims the solid consideration of this meeting, and being united with by this and the women's

Meeting, is directed to be forwarded to all our subordinate Meetings, and to be inserted in the Books of discipline in their possession.

From the minutes of said Meeting,
 Abraham Shoarman, Jr. clerk.
 Ruth Rodman, clerk.

The importance of steadfastly maintaining our ancient principles, respecting the doctrines of the Gospel, coming renewedly under our consideration, we earnestly recommend and enjoin upon Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, and upon all faithful Friends, to be watchful over our members, as it regards the profession of their faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, both as to his outward coming in the flesh, wherein he tasted death for every man, and was the propitiatory sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world, suffering the just for the unjust, that we might be brought unto God through him; and to his spiritual appearance in the heart, for unto them that look for Him, shall he appear the second time, without sin, unto salvation. and if in any instance there should be manifested any deviation from our Christian principles in these respects, that they proceed to labour with such in the spirit of meekness and wisdom, endeavouring to bring them to a sense of their departure from our acknowledged principles, that if possible they may be restored to soundness of faith. And if ^{they} ~~he~~ be any who ^{should} persist in their errors, notwithstanding

54. such labour in brotherly love; that our testimony
be maintained by testifying against such.

Abigail Arnold
Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of
women-friends, held at Smithfield 28th of 10th
month 1829.

The representatives are for Providence,
Sarah Coffin and Elizabeth Smith; for
Smithfield Dorcas Morry and Phoebe Metcalf
all present.

We have received answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th
queries from each of our preparative meetings,
from which we have selected general answers, which
are to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our
friends Dorcas Paine and Phoebe Metcalf,
whom we appoint to attend said Meeting
and report at next monthly meeting.

The committee in the case of Hannah
Hussey's request have produced an endorse-
ment, which with some alteration is united
with in this and the mens meeting and is to
be signed by the Clerk and forwarded to
Nantucket Monthly Meeting.

Providence preparative informed that the
overseers forwarded to that meeting a complaint
M. Lawton, against Mary Lawton, wife of Josiah Lawton
complaint and likewise their daughters, Elizabeth Collins,
and Rebecca Noth, which being considered
in this meeting we appoint Lydia Bred,
Hannah Chase and Sarah Metcalf to take
the necessary care and report when ready.
A certificate was ~~received~~ presented to this
meeting from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting
held at Newport 24th of 9th month 1829, on

Hannah Gould and wife
 Gould's his wife, they being elders in unity, which
 certificate was read and accepted in this meeting.
 recorded
 at the end
 of the book

Elizabeth Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting
 of Women Friends held 25th of 11th month
 1829.

The representatives for Smithfield are
 Eunice Metcalf and Sarah Buffinton.
 for Providence Lydia Bond and
 Mary G. Anthony, present except one.

The committee appointed in 7th moth
 last in case of Mary Benson's request, report

Mary Benson that they have attended to the subject.
 that their communications with her have
 been mutually satisfactory and they think
 a member it will be safe to admit her into mem-
 bership, which report has been considered
 and united with in this meeting and
 the monthly meeting, and she is received
 a member of our religious society;
 Betsey Burinton is appointed to inform
 us of the decision of this meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly
 Meeting report that they attended to
 the appointment.

Elizabeth Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting
 of Women Friends held 28th of 12th mo, 1829.

The representatives for Providence
 are Hannah Gould and Rhoda Calk
 for Smithfield Dorcas Mowry and
 Deborah Arnold. all present.

Betsey Burinton reports that she has

informed Mary Benson of the decision of this meeting agreeable to appointment.

Providence preparative informs that a complaint was entered to them ^{by the overseers} against Mary Bowen Jackson, for neglecting the attendance of our Meetings and attending those of other Societies, adopting their customs and manners and that she has recently united herself in marriage contrary to the order of officers with a first-cousin, who is not a member of our society. We appoint Betsey Purington, Lydia Purington, Rhoda Cook to visit her and report to next Meeting.

The committee in case of Mary Lawton & daughters report that they have attended to the appointment and treated with them on account of their deviation; but finding them not in a situation to become more conformable to our discipline, it is their judgment that further labour will be unavailing; said report having been considered in this and the May Meeting is united with and they dismissed from society as members. Hannah Chase is appointed to inform them thereof and report to next meeting.

Abigail Arnold clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 24th 5th month 1830.

The representatives for Providence are Betsey Purington and Hannah Gould; for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Phoebe Metcalf present except one. The committee in case of Mary Bowen Jackson report that they have attended to the appointment, and treated with her on the subject of complaint, that she does not appear to value her right of membership.

54. and has no wish any longer to retain it.
we therefore with the concurrence of the
M.B.S. mens meeting disown unity with her as
dismiss a member of our society and put her
from from under our care. Elizabeth Congdon
society is appointed to inform her and report to
next meeting.

The queries with the three usually answered
have been read, and general answers selec-
ted to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting
by our friends Elizabeth Congdon Hannah
Robinson and Betsey Quinton who are
appointed to attend said meeting, and
report next meeting.

This meeting is inform'd that Hannah
Chase has attended to her appointment
in the case of Mary Lawton and
daughters.

Providence preparative meeting
thruon informs that they have received a
Wilkinson request from Mary Wilkinson, wife of William
request Wilkinson, to become a member of our religious
to become society; We appoint Eunice H. Perkins,
a member Obigail Arnold and Hannah Gould to
of our so take an opportunity with her on the
city subject of her request and report to next
meeting.

The Mens Meeting having taken
into view the peculiar situation of the
small meeting at Smithfield have ap-
a committee appointed a committee to attend said meeting
appointed as was may open; our Meeting unite with
to attend them herein, do appoint Eunice H. Perkins,
Ann Hildes Hannah Gould, Betsey Quinton and Phil
meeting (Vetoal) to attend to said service.

as way may
open
Signed on behalf of the meeting
By Obigail Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of
 Women Friends held at Smithfield
 2^d mo. 24th 1830.

The representatives from Smithfield are Sarah Metcalf and Abigail Arnold; for Providence Elizabeth Smith and Betsey Purington; two of whom are present, the other two sent a satisfactory reason for their absence.

The committee in the case of Mercy Wilkinson have paid attention to the subject but are not ready to report at this time.

One of the committee appointed last month to visit Smithfield Meeting as way may open; proposed the addition of Lydia Breed, which being united with in this meeting, her name is added to said committee.

This meeting is informed that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended to the appointment.

A certificate was received from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting held at New-Port 23rd of 1st mo. 1830 on behalf of Elizabeth Wardsworth and her little daughter Emma Wardsworth, she having removed to live with her husband to live within the compass of our meeting; recommending her as a member of orderly life and conversation which is accepted.

Wardsworth To the Monthly Meeting of Friends
 certificate at Providence.
 accepted Dear Friends,

Elizabeth Wardsworth having removed to live with her husband within the compass of your meeting requested a certificate. We have by certify that she with her little daughter Emma Wardsworth is a member of our society, and of an

elderly life and conversation, we therefore recommend them to your Christian care and to your friends.

On behalf and by direction of Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting of friends held at Newport the 28th of 1st mo. 1830.

David Rodman Clerk.

Ruth Rodman Clerk.

A proposition being made to this meeting for an addition to the overseers of society and Hannah Gould's name being proposed it is united with and she is appointed to that place the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of the meeting by
Abigail Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 24th of 3rd mo. 1830.

The representatives for Smithfield are Phoebe Metcalf and Eunice Metcalf; for Providence, Mary G. Anthony and Emma A. Fenby all present.

The Committee in the case of Mary Wilkinson's request report that in their conference with her, she expressed her belief in the doctrine and unity with the discipline of our society, and believing that an apprehension of religious duty induced application it is their judgment that it will be safe to receive her into membership received as we therefore with the concurrence of the members of men's Meeting accept said report and receive society. a member of our religious Society. Betsey Purington is appointed to inform her thereof. The friend appointed to inform Mary Bowen Jackson of the decision of this meeting reports that she has attended to the appointment. Abigail Arnold Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 25th of 1st mo, 1830.

The representatives for Smithfield are, Dorcas Paine and Deborah Arnold, for Providence Sarah Coffin and Elizabeth Smith, who are all present.

The friend appointed reports that Nancy Wilkinson has been informed of the decision of our last Monthly Meeting.

We have received answers to the queries of each of our Supplicative Meetings, from which we have collected general answers, which are to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Peter Duntow Hannah Gould and Thelie Metcalf.

Our beloved friend Anna C Perkins disclosed in this meeting a prospect which had for some time accompanied her mind of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting of friends in New-York. the subject having claimed our brightly consideration was united with and she encouraged to pursue said prospect as best wisdom may direct she being a member and minister in good esteem the clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved friend Lydia Bred informed this meeting that she apprehended it would be right for her to attend the Monthly Meetings of friends of Dartmouth and New-Bedford her concern was fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein she being a member minister in good esteem. the clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute. — Elizabeth Arnold clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of women
friends held 5th month 26th 1830.

The representatives from Smithfield are
Philip Micallef and Abigail Arnold, for Providence
Sarah Talcott and Phil H. Holden, who are
present except one.

This meeting is informed that the repre-
sentatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended to
said appointment.

The men's meeting inform that they have come
to ^{the} conclusion to disown Jenkins Whipple in which
this meeting unites. They have also come to
the same conclusion in regard to Potter
which is likewise united with in this meeting.
The men's meeting having concluded to disown
from our society Rowland G Howard, this
meeting concurs with them herein.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs
that Lydia C Smith having resided some
time within the limits of Greenwich
Monthly Meeting requests our certificate
there to; Peter Purinton, Sarah Micallef
and Abigail Arnold are appointed to
take charge of the subject and produce
one to next meeting.

The committee appointed in the 2^d month
last to visit the meeting at Smithfield, are
continued to said service until the ninth
month next. Signed by

Abigail Arnold
Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 28th of 6th moth 1830.

The representatives for Providence are; Phileas H. Holden and Dorcas B. Anthony; - for Smithfield Lydia Arnold and Anna Arnold, who are all present.

The meeting inform that they have come to the conclusion to disown Samuel L. Hill in which this meeting concurs.

Our Beloved friend Anna C. Jenkins returned to this meeting the minutes taken in the 4th month last with an endorsement from the meeting of ministers and elders held in New-York by adjournment from the 22nd of 5th month to the 28th of the same inclusive expressive of their satisfaction in her visit.

The time being nearly expired for which the clerk was appointed to write - for this meeting, Elizabeth Congdon and Lydia Bred are appointed to take charge of the subject and propose some friend for that service to next meeting.

The friends appointed have presented a certificate for Lydia C. Smith which after some altercation was approved and signed and is to be forwarded to Greenwich Monthly Meeting.

Signed

Lydia Arnold.

Clerk —

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 29th of 7th mo. 1830.

By accounts from Smithfield and Providence and
and others for Providence Sarah S. Cooke and
Elizabeth Smith, all present.

The friends appointed last month on the subject of Clerks,
propose Hannah Gould Jun^r for Clerk, and Sarah Searle
secretary, which resolutions were with one voice
appointed to said service.

The Queries have been read, together with answers from
our respective monthly preparative meetings from which
general answers are selected, which we forward to the
Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Exeter
month by our friends Phoebe Metcalf, Mary S. Anthony
and Hannah Gould Jun^r whom we appoint our rep-
resentatives to attend said meeting.

Our beloved friend Sarah Bird returned at this
time a minute granted her by this meeting in 4th month
last with a minute from New Bedford and meeting
of Friends held 27th of 5th mo. 1830 expressing that her
company and services had been acceptable to them.
Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
at Smithfield 8th month 26th 1830.

By accounts from the Preparative Meetings the repre-
sentatives for Providence are Mary Cooke and Sarah
Coffin, for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Sarah
Metcalf, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting informed
that they all attended and we have received extracts
from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting which have
been read to our satisfaction, and an acceptable report
of the ^{School Committee} ~~boardings~~ has also been read at this time.

Minutes
of our
last Yearly
Meeting.

The following Minute the Yearly Meeting has been read viz:
The society, entitled The Testimony of the Society of Friends
on the American Continent, prepared by the annual Committee
last Yearly, passed of committee for all our Yearly Meetings in the
Meeting, (which convened in Philadelphia in the 4th month last,) was
read before our Meeting of Men and Women Friends, collectively
assembled and being held in a considerable, and cordial
manner, and fully approved as embracing a concise, yet com-
plete, statement of the doctrines and testimonies which have always been
held by our Society. This Document having now been ap-
proved by all the Yearly Meetings of Friends in this country,
the Clerk was directed to this minute, in the extracts to be
sent down, that the necessary arrangements had been made
for printing it, and that the several Quarterly Meetings
will be supplied by the Meeting for Sufferings, with a suf-
ficient number of copies to furnish one to each family of
Friends within their respective limits.

A Minute of our last Yearly Meeting which the Clerk
was directed to forward to the several Quarterly and
Monthly Meetings so be inserted in the books of Discipline
has been read, and is as follows, viz:

The subject of marrying in the kindred by affinity,
having been brought under the view of this Meeting, and
received its solid and deliberate consideration, and it
is concluded that the construction of our Yearly Meeting
as particularly defined in the year 1773, namely, that
our members be not allowed to marry a deceased wife's
sister, or a deceased husband's brother, shall hereafter be
considered as the construction to be given to our present
Discipline.

Copies, by direction, from the Minutes of our Yearly
Meeting, by

Abraham Shearman, Jr. Clerk.

Committee: Abigail David, Elizabeth Smith and Packer Heston
to select Chil. are appointed a committee to select such children
as for the as appears eligible to take this Monthly Meetings priv-
4th 13th B. 1800

62. privilege in the Society Meeting Room, and to give
Transcripts of Epistles from the Society Meetings of Women
Friends in this State and in the United States to our
Society. Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held in Providence 9th Mo: 29th 1830

The representatives for Providence are Ruth H. Woodland
and Elizabeth Smith for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and
Patience Haskell, all present.

Complaint of the
overseers respecting
Amy Anthony
Through the medium of Providence preparative
Meeting we are informed that Amy Anthony had been
reproved with by the overseers for neglecting the attendance
from the order of society, we appoint Abigail Arnold, Dorcas
Baker and John Thomas to visit her and report to a future
Meeting.

Appointment
of overseers
The time for which Dorcas B. Anthony and Phibe H.
Holden were appointed overseers, having expired, their re-
appointment was proposed, this meeting unites there-
in and they are appointed for the year ensuing.
Phibe Holden informs that she has removed to her
within the limits of Abingdon Monthly Meeting and re-
quested our certificate Sarah Steele and Ruth Houlston
are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and if
nothing appears to prevent, prepare one and present to
the next Monthly Meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Society Meetings of Abigail Rogers
at both Andover and Putnam have been sent to our friends
and edification as well as an increase of their faith
and of religious union.

Certificate rec^d.
The wife of Anna E. & other minor children of James M. Rogers D. and
Mary Elizabeth was read and accepted
Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield 10th month 27th 1830. The representatives for Providence are Sarah Coffin and Lydia Shaw, for Smithfield Sarah Melcalf and Abigail Arnold, all present.

The Quizzes with answers from our respective preparative meetings have been read, and several answers selected therefrom which are to be forwarded to our Quarterly Meeting meeting to be held at Swansey, by our representatives Dorcas Paine and Elizabeth Congdon.

Through the medium of Providence preparative meeting Committee, we are informed that Bethiah W. Tit has requested to become appointed a member of our religious society. Elizabeth Congdon, Patience Southwick, Doreen and Sarah Melcalf are appointed to take an opportunity with her, and report when the service is accomplished.

Appointment of overseers. The time having expired for which the overseers were appointed Dorcas Paine, Abigail Arnold and Phoebe Melcalf. Having been proposed for overseers of society, this meeting unites therein, and they are appointed for the year ensuing. The time having also expired for which the overseers of the poor were appointed Dorcas P. Anthony, Abigail Harris, Patience Haskins and Sarah Melcalf are proposed, and this meeting unites therein, and they are appointed to that service the ensuing years.

Certificate granted. The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Phoebe Southwick, presented one directed to Uxbridge Monthly Meeting of Friends, which being read and approved was signed in this, and the mens meeting.

The Committee appointed to attend Smithfield Meeting, report that they have attended said Meeting as way opened, and it is their judgment that the mid-week meeting be suspended from the present time until the first of fourth month next, and that the preparative and monthly meetings be held there as heretofore, and that said meeting be continued under the care of the same committee of men and women friends.

Sarah Leake Clerk for the day.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Providence 11th Month 22^d 1825. The representatives
for Providence are Barbara Doty and Abigail Harris
for Smithfield Dorcas Truitt and Phoebe Mather. Present
except Barbara Doty and Abigail Harris, for the absence
of the former a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting
inform they have performed said service.

The London printed Epistle has been read
to our satisfaction.

Wetsey Purinton Clerk for the day.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Smithfield 12th Mo 29th 1825. The representatives
for Providence are Elizabeth Smith and Hannah Gould.
for Smithfield Patience Haskell and Abigail Arnold
all present.

Resolved That we be appointed in the 15th mo. last
to visit Bethiah W. C. on the subject of her request
presented and a report which was accepted and is
as follows viz:

Resolved to our appointment we have
visited Bethiah W. C. and confer'd with her on the
subject of her request in which she appears to be in-
telligent and moderately acquainted with the principles
of our principles, and we think it may be safe to re-
ceive her a member of our society, but submit it
to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Elizabeth Smith

To the Monthly Meeting to be held
at Smithfield 12th mo 29th 1825.

Hannah Gould

Patience Haskell

For the friends writing with us herein she is received
into membership. Rhoda Earle is appointed to inform
her of the conclusion of this meeting.

Leban. Our men friends presented a report of their committee. J. B. Thompson presented to visit Hiram P. Lockham in consequence of cannot his marrying out of the order of society as a person not in membership with us. said report accompanied by with an acknowledgment, which we were informed was accepted, and that it was this conclusion to retain him in society, this meeting submits the subject to the judgment of the General Meeting.

Hannah Gould Jun^r W.

At a Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence by adjournment the 26th 1831. The representatives for Providence are Mary L. Anthony and Ruth Howland who are both present. We have not received any account from Smithfield for a previous meeting.

Rhoda Earl informs that she had answered her appointment of last month in relation to North W. W. W.

A note of a minute from Massachusetts Monthly Meeting on behalf of Caroline W. W. a member and elder of that meeting was received, read, and is acceptable to this meeting.

The Quinns have been sent with answers to the 1st and 2nd which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends to be held in Providence, are forwarded by our friends Betsey Winton and Elizabeth Congdon, whom we appoint representatives to attend said meeting.

Hannah Gould Jun^r W.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence by adjournment the 17th of 3rd mo 1831. The representatives for Providence are Sarah Coffin and Sarah L. Tobey. for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Abigail Arnold. All present except Abigail Arnold, who forwarded a satisfactory reason for her absence.

The following communication has been received and read viz the monthly Meeting being very small, the Men Friends

68. have concluded to adjourn, to meet on the 17th of 3rd mo.
at the close of the Meeting at Providence. — and then
being but one woman present, they have advised that
a minute be made to present to the Women's Meeting
at the adjournment.

Smithfield 3rd mo: 23rd. 1831. Abigail Arnold

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting in-
formed that they attended agreeably to their appointment,

Wm. Pickham

request.

Through the medium of Providence Preparative Meet-
ing we have received from Ebenezer Pickham, a request
to become a member of our religious Society: after con-
sidering the subject we appoint Lydia Ward, Dorcas
W. Anthony and Hannah Gould Jun^{rs} to visit her, and
report to a future meeting, their judgment in relation
to the ground of her request.

Certificate for

E. Smith Jun^{rs} & Co. was received read and accepted, and is as follows viz.

Dear Friends

Elizabeth Smith Jun^{rs} having resided for
some time past within the limits of your Meeting, now
requests a removal certificate thereto. This is to certify
that she is a member of our religious Society and when
with us, a diligent attendant of meetings, and of an orderly
life. on inquiry it appears that she has left no outward
affairs unsettled, and is clear of marriage engagements.

We therefore recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed on behalf of Smithfield M^o. Meeting held 1st mo: 27th 1831.

John Osborne Clerk

To Providence M^o. Meeting

Sarah W. Shaw Clerk.

Our new friends inform that
they had concluded to disown John Andrews. this Meeting
unites with them herein.

Hannah Gould Jun^{rs} Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence
3rd Mo. 3rd 1831.

The representatives for Providence are Phoebe W. Holden and Hannah Robinson, for Smithfield Patience Waskell and Eunice Metcalf, present Hannah Robinson and Eunice Metcalf.

The friends appointed to visit Phoebe & Dicklam, inform that they have attended there, but are not ready to report farther at this time.

One of the committee appointed in the 9th month last to treat with Anne Anthony, inform that they have had an opportunity with her, but difficulty of travelling, and the indisposition of a part of the committee have prevented such attention to the subject as would enable them to report more fully to this meeting.

Elihu Bowen and Sarah Potter appeared in this meeting and proposed their intention of marriage with each other, and were referred to the mens meeting, we appointed Elizabeth Longdon and Lydia Breeds to inquire in Sarah Potters cleanness in her marriage engagement and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

A certificate from Danby Monthly Meeting was read, accepted and is as follows viz:

To Friends of Providence Monthly Meeting
Dear Friends

This is to inform you that Phoebe Amy, daughter of Christopher Amy, who has gone from us to live under the care of her aunt Phoebe Metcalf of Cumberland, within the limits of your Monthly Meeting requested our certificate directed to you.

This may certify (she being a minor) that she is a member of Friends Society, and clear of marriage engagements amongst us as far as we know: as such we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight.

Signed on behalf of Danby Monthly Meeting held at Granville on the 10th of 2nd Month 1831

Harriet Ellis Correspondent

By William Potter }
Mehitable Potters } clerks

Hannah Goulds Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
at Smithfield 4th Mo: 27th 1834.

The representatives for Smithfield are Deborah
Arnold and Dorcas Paine for Providence Lydia Stone
and Betsey Furmston, all present.

The Queries have been read together with answers
from each of our preparative meetings these with an account
prepared for the Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends to be held
at East Greenwich was forwarded by our friends Elizabeth Smith
Dorcas Paine and Hannah Gould Jun^{rs} whom we appoint
our representatives.

The friends appointed to visit Phoebe
Peckham presented a report which is as follows viz:

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Phoebe
Peckham in relation to her request, which we believe resulted
from an apprehension of religious duty: the doctrines and
discipline of our religious society appear to have been
examined by her, and she expressed her belief and
unity therein as being in accordance with her scriptural
views, and the convictions of her own mind.

Phoebe Peckham It is our judgment that it will be safe to receive
admitted a her into membership, which we submit to the monthly
meeting

Dorcas B Anthony

Lydia Breed

Providence 4th Mo: 26th 1834 Hannah Gould Jun^{rs}

This being satisfactory is accepted, and our men-friends
uniting therein she is admitted into membership, and
Lydia Breed is desired to inform of this decision.

The committee under appointment to treat with
Amy Anthony presented a report which is as follows, viz
to Providence monthly meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Amy Anthony
and treated with her on account of her deviations from our
principles and practices she not feeling herself under
obligation to comply with the requisitions of any re-

religious society even to the attendance of meetings, not having been sensible of being benefited thereby, but choosing rather to follow the dictates of her own mind.

It is our judgment that usefulness will not be derived by retaining her in membership.

Lydia Bued

Migail Arnold

Norcas Paine

Amey This report being accepted and the mens meeting concurring therein, she is disowned from being a member of our disowned religious society. Betsy Burinton is appointed to acquaint her with the conclusion of this meeting.

A certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting was read, accepted, and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Phoebe Green wife of William Green, having removed to live with her husband (some time past) within the limits of your meeting request a removal certificate for herself and her daughter, Carolina a minor - this may certify that they are members of our religious society, and while with us of orderly lives and conversation; as such we recommend them to your Christian care, and are your friends.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Greenwich Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 4th Mo. 4th 1831

Lois Anthony Clerk

The friends appointed to enquire into Sarah Posters cleanness in her marriage engagement, do not find any thing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Elisha Bowen, they are therefore left at liberty to consummate the same agreeably to the order of society Lydia Bued and Betsy Burinton are appointed to attend said marriage and report at our next Mo. Meeting.

Our men friends inform'd that they had concluded to disown Seth R. Telford this meeting sends with them herein Hannah Gould Secy. B. Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meetings of Women Friends held in
Providence 5th mo 26th 1831. The representatives for
Smithfield are Eunice Melcalf and Phoebe Melcalf, for
Providence Betsey Burinton and Elizabeth Smith, all
present except one, who gave most a satisfactory reason
for her non-attendance.

Information was communicated to this meeting
that Lydia Bued had attended to her appointment
respecting Phoebe & Vickham.

The friends appointed overseers to the marriage
of Eliza Benson and David Potter attended and thought
it conducted in a becoming manner.

The committee under appointment to attend
Smithfield Meeting presented a report which was
accepted and is as follows viz.

The joint committee appointed to visit Smithfield
Meeting report that they have from time to time
attended the same, and have found it attended
generally by most of the members belonging to it,
and others. The committee have felt much satis-
faction in sitting with friends of that meeting
and notwithstanding there has been recently some
addition to their number occasioned by removals within
their limits, they find it is desirable to have a com-
mittee continued who will occasionally meet with them
Smithfield 5th mo 22nd 1831. Signed on behalf of the Committee

Betsey Burinton

Hannah Gould (mod.)

The further consideration of the subject is deferred and the
committee desired to give their attention at Providence.

Hannah Gould (mod.)

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield 6th mo: 21st 1835. The representatives for Smithfield are Deborah Matur and Abigail Arnold to Providence: Betsey Furintow and Sarah L. Tobey all present.

The present clerk being absent Abigail Arnold is appointed for the day.

The friend appointed to inform Anney Anthony of her disownment reports that she has attended to her appointment.

Caroline Tobey having been for some time acceptably with us, with a copy of a minute from Wassaletown's monthly meeting, and having a prospect of continuing longer, it being more agreeable to the meeting that she return that ^{minute} ~~certificate~~ and request for a ~~minute~~ certificate, the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of it directed to that meeting with an extract from this minute.

This meeting unites with the men. Friends in the disownment of Holder C. Weedon.

The subject of the committee under appointment to attend Smithfield meeting, having been before this meeting it has resulted in the re-appointment of the same committee.

A certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Kenyon and Sarah his wife, with their four children viz: Lydia W., Mary Ann, Martha and Susan, has been read and accepted in this meeting, and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

John Kenyon and Sarah his wife and three children, having resided two years within the limits of this Monthly Meeting as members. In virtue of a certificate from South Kingdon Monthly Meeting — and now having removed within the limits of your Monthly Meeting and requesting our certificate we hereby certify that himself and wife during their stay with us

72. were of orderly life and conversation, pretty diligent
cardinals attenders of Meetings when circumstances would admit
and on inquiry nothing appears but that they have
settled their outward affairs to satisfaction. we
recommend them, with their present family consist-
ing of four children viz Lth. Mary Ann, Martha
and Susan, to your Christian care and oversight,
and are your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Friends
Monthly Meeting held at Cranston 2nd of 5th mo. 1831

William Reynolds }
Pais Anthony } Clerks

Margaret Arnold Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at
Providence 7th mo. 27th 1831. The representations for
Smithfield are Anna P. May and Dorcas Prime for
Providence Betsey Durbin and Thelma H. Holden, all present

The Queries have been read, with answers to the first
second and tenth, together with an account to the
Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth which
was forwarded by our friends Elizabeth Smith and Hannah
Gould Jun^{rs} whom we appoint our representatives.

We were informed through the medium of Prov-
idence preparative Meeting that Anna P. Lockwood re-
quested to become a member of our religious so-
ciety. we appoint Sarah Melsall, Anna A. Jenkins
and Hannah Gould Jun^{rs} to visit her, and report their
judgment in relation to the grounds of her request.
to a future meeting.

A copy of a Minute on behalf of
Judith Peckham from Hudson Monthly Meeting
of Friends held the 17th of 5th mo. 1831 was
received, read and is acceptable to this Meeting.

Our friend Betsey Purinton informed this meeting that she had for some time believed it right for her to attend the three Eastern Quarters of this Yearly Meeting, with a few meetings belonging to each if any should open therefor. After considering the subject, the unity of the meeting was expressed, and she being a Minister in unity with us, the Clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Hannah Goulds Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield 8th Mo. 24th 1831. The representatives for Smithfield are Dorcas Henry and Eunice McLaughlin, for Providence Sarah Coffin and Dorcas B. Anthony, all present.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting reported that agreeably to their appointment they all attended, and presented to this meeting Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and the London printed Epistle of the present year which have been read at this time to our satisfaction and encouragement: the report of the Boarding School Committee has also been received and read.

Our men friends informed that they had concluded to disown Edward Anthony, in which decision this meeting unites.

Hannah Goulds Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence 28th of 9th mo 1831. The representatives for Smithfield are Patience Washburn and Elizabeth Smith, for Providence Miss H. Holden and Mary Willson, all present.

A committee under appointment to visit Anna C. Lockwood in consequence of her request.

for membership presented the following report:

Agreeably to our appointment we have conferred with Anna S. Lockwood on the subject of her request which we believe to have been made under a serious and conscientious conviction.

That the doctrine of our society and its discipline are represented by our actions, the result are apprehensions of a serious condemnation of them: it is our judgment that it will be safe to receive her into membership which we submit to the monthly meeting.

Providence 9th mo. 28th 1835.

Anna S. Jenkins

Sarah Metcalf

Hannah Gould Junr.

Said report being accepted and on her presenting therein, she is admitted into membership and Hannah Gould Junr. is appointed to inform her of this decision.

This meeting was informed that Calvin P. requests a certificate to join and has been directed to Southfield Monthly Meeting. Elizabeth Smith and Abigail Gould are appointed to join the committee of men-friends in preparing one, and present to our next monthly meeting.

A certificate from Nassaboro Monthly Meeting has been read and accepted in this meeting and the same is as follows:

Dear Friends

Caroline Tobey having perused within the limits of your meeting, requested our certificate. We are willing on the subject that she is a member of this meeting, and an Elder in society with us.

She was a frequent attendee of our meetings, has settled her religious affairs to satisfaction and is free of marriage engagements as far as we know.

As such we recommend her to your Christian

Ordered by direction of Cassatons Monthly
Meeting of Women Friends held 8th Nov. 1821.

Ladies P. Hy. Clerk.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Young Churches of
Baltimore and Ohio, have been acceptably read at
this time.

The following certificate was read and ac-
cepted in this and the same meeting at the:

Dear Friends

Deborah Ramsdell having removed within
the limits of your meeting requests our Certificate.

This may certify on the behalf that she is a member
of our meeting was of an orderly life and conversant
with the scriptures and is free of all engagements
as far as appears. As such we recommend her
to your care and oversight.

Signed by direction of Cassatons Monthly
Meeting of Women Friends held 1st Nov. 1821.

Ladies P. Hy. Clerk.

Our men friends informed that Christopher D
Spencer had requested that his children viz:
Sarah Abner, Christopher Mangham, Charles Brown,
Mary Elizabeth, Samuel Abner and Lavinia Abner
might be taken under the care of Friends. He
appointed Samuel H. Baker, Lydia Breed and
Hannah Gould Senr to unite with the committee
of men friends who are appointed to take the sub-
ject under consideration and report to our next
Mo. Meeting.

read

A certificate was received and accepted in
this and the same meeting and is as follows viz:
Dear Friends

Hannah D. Dickerson having removed to
live with her husband within the limits of your
meeting requests our certificate to join the

and in relation to the same we have received
 a letter from the Committee of the Western District
 of the Friends of the Yearly Meeting, dated 1st Nov. 1831.

Signed by direction and on
 behalf of the Western District Meeting for
 the Eastern and Western Districts in unity
 with the ancient Yearly Meetings of Friends
 held at the 1st of the 1st month 1831
 Richard Popham & William Popham Clks
 Correspondents } Isaac Popham Clk

Sarah Metcalf, Phoebe H. Holden, and
 Elizabeth Congdon are appointed a Committee
 to select such children as may appear most
 eligible to take the privilege of this Monthly
 Meeting in the Yearly Meeting at Woburn
 Mass.

A Certificate from Woburn Mo. Meeting
 was received, read and accepted and is
 as follows:

Isaac W. Popham and Eunice his wife
 having removed from us to live within the
 limits of your Meeting, have requested our cer-
 tificate. These may certify on their behalf, that
 they are members of our society, formerly his.
 Present in the attendance of our Meetings
 whilst with us, and he has settled his
 pecuniary concerns to satisfaction, as such we
 recommend them to your Christian care and
 oversight.

Signed in and on behalf of Woburn
 Monthly Meeting held at Woburn 7th Mo. 1st 1831.
 Effingham Capron Clk
 Sarah Enale Clk.

Hannah Goulds Junr Clk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
on March 25th 1831. The representatives for Smithfield
are Abigail Arnold and Phoebe Metcalf, for Providence
Mary G. Anthony and Elizabeth G. Smith. All present.

Hannah Goulds Jun^r. informs that she answered
her appointment of last month respecting Anna's Lecture.

One of the committee under appointment to visit
Christopher A. Spencer, informs that attention had
been paid to the subject, but they are not ready to
report.

The Queries were read with answers from
each of our preparative meetings to the 1st 2nd
and tenth, these with an account to the Quarterly
Meeting next to be held at Somerset, are forwarded
by our friends Elizabeth Congdon & Elizabeth Smith
whom we appoint our representatives to attend
said Meeting.

Providence preparative Meeting has
made the appointment of Dorcas W. Anthony, Julia
H. Holden and Hannah Goulds Jun^r. overseers
of Society, which being united with in this meeting
they are appointed for the ensuing year.

Elizabeth G. Smith and Abigail Francis were proposed
for overseers of the poor, which being satisfactory to
this Meeting they are appointed to that service for
the year ensuing.

Our new friends informs that
they had concluded to dissolve Edmund's & Constant's
marrying contrary to the order of Society: this
Meeting concurs with them therein.

The following certificate was read approved
and signed viz.

To Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends
Dear Friends

Oliver Shaver his wife Sarah Shaver their
children William, John, Mary, & Elizabeth
Smith, a minor (and member of their family) having removed

73. to reside within the limits of your Meeting requested
Certificates for our certificate. We certify they are members of our
Meeting in a good degree, of orderly lives and con-
stant family devotion, and frequent in the attendance of meetings.
Having made enquiry, nothing appears but that
their pecuniary affairs are settled to satisfaction.
We recommend them to your Christian care

Signed by direction and on behalf of Providence
Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield
11th mo: 26th 1834.

John Tarnum Clerk
Hannah Goulds Sun^r Clerk.

Minutes of the Yearly Meeting
at Philadelphia and London have been accept-
ably read in this meeting.

Hannah Goulds Sun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Providence 11th mo 26th 1834. The representatives
to Providence are Caroline Abby and Elizabeth London,
for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Phoebe Metcalf, and never.
The representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform
that they attended agreeably to appointment.

A certificate for Sarah E. Hudson was ^{read,} ~~received~~
accepted and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends
Dear Friends

Sarah E. Hudson wife of Charles Hudson
of Providence, removed to live within the limits of your
Meeting, requests of us a Certificate. This may inform
that she is a member of our Society, of an orderly life,
diligent in the attendance of our religious meetings,
and has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction.
We recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed by direction of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting

79. Held 10th mo. 28th 1835.

Effingham L. Capron } Clerk for
Hannah Arnolds } this time.

Through the medium of Providence preparative meeting we were informed that Cynthia Long requested the care of Friends, Betsey Turinton, Lydia Brude and Sarah Metcalf are appointed to visit her and report to a future meeting their judgment respecting the grounds of her request. Information was also received that Mary W. Kinner was desirous of becoming a member of our religious society, we appoint Abigail Arnolds, Elizabeth Congdon and Phoebe H. Holden to take an opportunity with her and report when present.

Smithfield's preparative meeting informs that Olive Mann daughter of Samuel Hill deceased, had united herself in marriage, contrary to the order of Society, we appoint Debra Paine, Patience Haskell and Caroline Tobey to visit her, and report at our next mo. meeting.

Our new friends inform that they had concluded to receive Moses B. Lockwood into membership, with which this meeting unites.

The committee appointed in July mo. last to visit Christopher V. Spencer in consequence of his request in relation to his children, presented the following report viz:

The committee appointed to visit Christopher V. Spencer's family on account of his request for the admission of his children into Society, report, that we have attended to that service, and the opportunity was in a good degree satisfactory. Christopher and his wife are united in the request, and appeared desirous that their children should receive an education correspondent to the principles & practice of Friends. Upon deliberate consideration,

it is our judgment that it will be best to grant his request and receive the children as members, which is respectfully submitted.
 Providence Nov. 17th 1831. Joseph Randall

The following accepted } Elisha Bowen
 in last week's meeting } Lydia Brand
 making, the said children are } Hannah Gould Jun^r
 received into membership } Caleb Paine
 Arnolds Congdon.

The friends under appointment to attend Smithfield's meeting during the past year, report as follows viz:

Accordingly to our appointment we have occasionally attended Smithfield's meeting to our satisfaction, and recently a considerable number convened at the meeting house, and had an opportunity with the members, on opening the subject they unitedly expressed their desire for the continuance of the mid-week meeting through the winter, with the exception of one occurring in the week in which the Quarterly Meeting is held. —

The addition of several families since last year, and the engagement manifested to sustain the meeting as heretofore was very encouraging to the Committee who were united in the opinion that usefulness would result from the meetings being kept up and attended from time to time by a committee, which is submitted to the Mo: Meeting.

Providence

Nov. 18th 1831.

On behalf of the Committee

Stephen Gould

Betsy Purrinton

Which being satisfactory to the meeting we appoint Aaron Tolly, Anna A. Linkins, Lydia Brand, Phoebe Metcalf, Betsy Purrinton, Sarah Metcalf and Hannah Gould Jun^r to attend

81. said Meeting as was moved upon the ensuing year.
Carnal Fault Sun. 28.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield
11th mo 28th 1831. The representatives for Smithfield are Patience Mather
and Sarah Metcalf for Providence Betsey Pindown and Deborah
Ramsdell, all present.

The Clerk being absent Abigail Arnold is appointed for
the day.

The committee appointed to visit the other churches
have been mindful of the appointment but have not
been able to attend to it.

Betsey Pindown has
received from this meeting in the 7th mo. last, with information that
she has attended a conference as far as she could and
signed a declaration of her faith. She also presented a letter
from the minutes of Talmouth Quarterly Meeting expressive of
their unity with her company and gospel labours.

A Certificate for Daniel Mitchell was read and
accepted, and is as follows viz:

Returned Friends

Daniel Mitchell and Helzer in
1831 informed us that they had removed within the limits of your
Monthly Meeting and requested our testimony that they
may certify that they are members of our Society and regular
attenders of our religious meetings upon answering nothing appears
but that their temporal concerns are adjusted to satisfaction
as such we recommend them to your Christian care.

Signed by order of Swansey Monthly Meeting held at
10th mo 31st 1831.

Thomas Welbur
Rebecca Shaw.

Abigail Arnold Clerk

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
at Providence on Sat. morn. 20th Mo. The representatives
of Providence are Ellen Burdett and Abigail Harris
for breakfast having interesting and useful collections
for the anniversary presents.

The Queries have been read with answers from
the respective Preparative Meetings to the 1st and 2nd Qs. & 3rd
From these general answers have been selected, which
with an account prepared and signed to the
Quarterly Meeting to be held at this place, we forward
by our friends Mary E. Burdett and Abigail Arnold
whom we appoint our representatives.

Our friends Smithfield Preparative Meeting proposed the
names of representatives of Jesus Christ and Phil. Metcalf
as one of the members of society in which this meeting unites
Smithfield and Abigail Arnold is added to the above named
Meeting friends, to that service for the ensuing year.

A proposition was also received from the same
Meeting for Eunice Metcalf and Sarah Metcalf
as overseers of the poor which being united with
they are accordingly appointed for the year ensuing.

Our friends Betsy Durniton presented a copy
of a minute from our Quarterly Meeting held 27th
in the 10th month last: and one from Passabasso's
Quarterly Meeting held 18th mo: 10th 1831. both
expressing of their satisfaction with her company
and Gospel labors amongst them.

Hannah Smith

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smith-
field 2nd month 2nd 1832. The representatives for Providence are
Deborah Tinsell and Elizabeth G Smith for Smithfield Sarah
Burrington and Abigail Arnold, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that
they attended agreeably to appointment.

A certificate on behalf of Mrs Arnold and family was
read, accepted and is as follows viz:

Mrs Arnold with his family having removed within the
compass of your Meeting, requests our certificate we therefore
state - that he his wife Abigail with their children viz
Mary, Harriet, William D, Benjamin, James Bruce,
Samuel, Mrs and Elizabeth are members of our religious
Society. while with us they were exemplary in the dil-
igent attendance of meetings; and on enquiry, nothing
appears but that his outwards affairs are satisfactorily
settled. We recommend them to your friendly care, and
are your friends.

By direction of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting
held at Portsmouth the 29th of 12th Mo: 1831. and signed
on behalf thereof

David Buffum Clerk

Margaret Barker, Clerk for the day.

The following Certificate was read and accepted in this
and the Mens Meeting viz:

Sarah Fry having moved within the limits
of your Meeting requests of us a certificate.

This may certify on her behalf that she is a member
of our Society, and when with us, was diligent in the attend-
ance of Meetings. As such we recommend her to your
Christian care and oversight.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Boston Monthly Meet-
ing of Friends held 1st Mo: 25th 1832

Rachel F Holder, Clerk.

A transcript of an Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting of Women
Friends was read at this time.

Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at
Providence 2nd mo. 28th 1832. The representatives for
Providence are Abigail Arnold and Hannah Gould
for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Phoebe Metcalf, all
present.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of
Virginia and North Carolina, have been read in
this meeting to our satisfaction and comfort.

We were informed by a communication from
Smithfield that it proposed to accompany
the annual meeting to Providence the next
meeting &c. which was united with in this meeting
Hannah Gould Sun. etc.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
at Smithfield 4th mo. 25th 1832. The representatives for
Smithfield are Abigail Arnold and Sarah Buffinton for
Providence Caroline Wiley and Hannah Gould Sun, all present.

The Queries have been read together with appropriate answers.
Then with an account, prepared and signed to the Quarterly
Meeting next to be held at East Greenwich we forwarded by
our friends Mary G. Putnam Betsey Darnilton & Abigail
Arnold whom we appoint our representatives.

Through the medium of Providence preparative
meeting we were informed that the concerns had visited
Anny, Caroline and Eleanor Jackson in consequence
of their absents themselves from our religious meetings,
frequenting those of other societies, and attending places
of public amusement with other deviations from our
testimony. We therefore we appoint Lydia (Orin)
Caroline Wiley and Abigail Arnold to treat with
them and report at our next meeting.

The following certificate was read and accepted viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Lydia Smith having resided for some

were past within the limits of our monthly meeting as a member and order by virtue of the within certificate. And having now returned to your meeting and request, our certificate we hereby certify that while with us she was careful in attendance of our religious meetings and in life and conversation exemplary. Her spiritual concerns settled to satisfaction as far as appears.

With desires for her preservation we commend her to your Christian regard and attention and are your friends.

Signed on behalf of the monthly meeting
at East Greenwich 2nd of 4th Mo: 1833

David Anthony Clerk.

Hannah Gould's son, and Sarah Gould inform that the term of their appointment as Clerk and Assistant had terminated and they were desirous of being released. we appoint Dorcas W. Anthony Betsy Furinton and Elizabeth Congdon to confer with some friends to fill those stations and report to next Mo: Meeting.

Hannah Gould's son & Clerk.

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Providence. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence 5th Mo: 30th 1832. The representatives for Providence are Betsy Furinton and Elizabeth E. Smith. for Smithfield Lydia E. Smith and Sarah Attebery, are present.

The committee under appointment to confer with some persons for Clerk and assistant had proposed Hannah Gould's son. In Clerk which being acceptable to the meeting. He is appointed for the year ensuing, the informant they were not prepared to report an assistant at this time.

The friends under appointment to visit at home, Caroline, had Charles Jackson presented a report, but in consideration of the small number of friends present the subject was deferred until our next Mo: Meeting.

The committee appointed in the 1st Mo: last to visit Cynthia they inform that attention had be paid, but

that they were not ready to report.

The committee appointed by this meeting in the 11th mo. last to visit Mary Turner presented a report, but the meeting being unusually small, the further disposal of the case was deferred until next month.

The following certificate was read and accepted in this and the mens meetings viz:

The Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Anna May having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting requests our certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious Society, circumspect in her life and conversation, and diligent in the attendance of meetings when circumstances would admit, her outward affairs are settled to satisfaction. With desires for her preservation we recommend her to your Christian care.

Given on behalf and by direction of Friends at
Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Cranston
the 30th of 4th mo 1832

Erin Anthony Clark.

A Certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting was
not submitted and is as follows viz:

The Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Clerk Anna May requesting within the limits
of your meeting requests a unanimous certificate.
This may certify on her behalf that she is a member
of our religious Society, circumspect in her life and
conversation, and diligent in the attendance of meetings
when circumstances would admit, her outward affairs are
settled to satisfaction. With desires for her advancement in the truth
we recommend her to your Christian care

The above Anna May had to do with the committee
appointed in the 11th month last to visit Mary Turner

Erin Anthony Clark

Providence: Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield Oct. 27th 1832. The representatives for Smithfield are Deborah Arnold and Abigail Arnold. For Providence Sarah Coffin and Sarah L. Tobey all present.

The committee report that 2 ladies for assistance at the meeting residing there with, she is appointed for the year ensuing.

The subject of reports last month was again presented in this meeting and the following report made: The committee agreeable to appointment.

At the committee appointed to visit Anna Barker and Eliza Barker report that we have conferred with them on the subject of their deviation from our principles and practices in neglecting our meetings, attending those of the society and frequenting places of public amusement. They acknowledge that they were aware that by this course of conduct they had forfeited their rights in society but were not sensible of any impropriety in their proceedings. We see no way in further labors which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Caroline Tobey
Abigail Arnold.
Lydia Breck.

After a true deliberation said report was accepted and because our dear friends residing therein, this morning dismissed them from membership with us until they may be persuaded to renounce the loss they have sustained and repair the breach made by their departure from our Christian testimony. Lydia Breck and Elizabeth Coffin were appointed to inform them of this decision.

The report of the committee in the case of Mary Kinner was again read, and is as follows: viz.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Mary Kinner, and it appears that her ^{motives in} making the request was an apprehension of duty, that she had long believed

S.S. the principles of Friends to be right, and was de-
termined to live consistent therewith in which we
think she appears to be sincere — which is
submitted to the judgment of the meeting.

by Abigail Arnold
Elizabeth Congdon
Phoebe Holden.

The subject having been considered the report was
accepted and with the concurrence of our own
friends she is admitted into membership. Betsy
Purinton and Phoebe Holden are appointed to
acquaint her of this resolution.

A certificate on behalf of Rachel Healy was
read, accepted, and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Rachel H. Healy wife of Joseph Healy
having consented to reside within the limits of
Providence in accordance with our certificate. This may certify on her behalf that
Rachel H. Healy is a member of our society, a frequent attendant
of meetings, and has settled her outward affairs
to satisfaction. We such we recommend her to
your Christian care and oversight.

Remits on behalf of Providence Monthly
Meeting held 30th of 5th mo: 1836

by Samuel Brown Clerk
Mary Shepherd for the day.

The friends appointed for that purpose,
have visited Oliver S. Latham and presented the
following report and recommendation viz.

On the committee appointed to visit Oliver S. Latham
and such as were attended thereto and such was
the state of her mind, and the conversation she
manifested that she is ready to submit to the
meeting the acknowledgment which accompanies

On behalf of the Committee

Elizabeth Smith

6th mo 24th 1832.

Ladies Friend

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends

As I have gone counter to the order of society in joining in marriage with one who is not a member thereof, I feel it to be my duty to pass by my offence and retain me a member, hoping that the Committee of our Society may be in accordance with the doctrines and principles of Friends, and the discipline of the Society.

6th mo 23rd 1832.

Phoebe L. Mann

The report obtained the due consideration of the Annual Meeting, and the Mens. Meeting uniting therewith, said report and acknowledgment were accepted and she retained a member of our religious society.

Elizabeth Smith and Abigail Abbott are appointed to inform her of this decision.

Harriet Smith Secy Chgo.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence 7th mo 25th 1832. The representatives for Providence are Phoebe H. Holden and Mary B. Anthony, for Smithfield Sarah H. Hoxey and Phoebe M. Hoxey, two of whom were present. Elizabeth Cuyler informed that she and Lydia Wood had fulfilled their appointment of last month in relation to Henry, Lucina and Elizabeth, children.

The Minutes have been read with answers from each preparative Meeting to the 24th last and 12th and selections made therefrom for the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth then with an account prepared and signed, and forwarded by our friends Henry Furman, Sarah M. Hoxey and Phoebe M. Hoxey as our appointed and representatives.

We were informed through the medium of Providence preparative Meeting that Sarah H. Hoxey requested to

Anna S. Perkins, Betsey Perinson and Hannah Goodson
to visit her, and to be at our next Monthly Meeting.
This is done respecting the record of her request.

The following certificate was read and accepted
in this and the men's meeting. Viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends
Dear friends

Wm. H. Smith having promised to live
within the limits of your Monthly Meeting, requested
our certificate: these may certify on her behalf that
she is a member of our society, and has settled her
affairs to the satisfaction of our society, and we commend
her to your Christian care.

Signed by direction of Smithfield
Monthly Meeting held Feb. 20. 1832.

John Osborne Clerk

Sarah A. Earle Assistant Clk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at
Smithfield the 29th of 1st month 1832. The representatives
for Smithfield are Anna Estlin and Eunice Metcalf,
for Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Mercy Wilkinson
are present.

Abigail Knolls and Elizabeth Smith inform us that
they had attended to their appointment respecting
their names.

Two of the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
attended and we have received Extracts from the
minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, and the report of
the Boarding School Committee for the present year
which have been read at this time.

The committee under appointment to visit
Sarah Pickham inform that the absence of one
of their number and sickness in the family of another,

94. Had prevented their attending thereto agreeably to appointment, and
in men friends informed that they had concluded to
disown John Earle in which decision this meeting unites.
Hannah Bond & Son

Providence Monthly Meetings of Women Friends held at Providence, Feb. Mo.
26th 1832. The representatives for Smithfield are Dorcas Cairns and
Elizabeth Smith for Providence Sarah Coffin and Sarah Earle all present.

The Committee under appointment to visit Ferviah Pickham on account
of request, presented the following report viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting

In compliance with our appointment, we have visited
Ferviah Pickham on account of her request, and had a
satisfactory opportunity with her. The motives which induced
her to make application to become a member of our Society,
appears to have arisen from feelings of apprehended duty.
We believe it may be safe to receive her into membership
with us: which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly
Meeting

9th Mo. 26th 1832

Delvey Horton

Anna C. Perkins

the report being accepted and our men friends concurring
therein, she is admitted into membership with us.

Sarah Brown is appointed to inform her of the decision of
this Meeting.

The committee inform that they attended to their
appointment with regard to Mary Temmers.

Transcripts of Epistles from London, Baltimore and
Virginia have been read at this time.

The following Certificate was read and accepted viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

James Reynolds and Sarah & his wife, with their
infant daughter Anna Elizabeth, having removed within the
limits of our meeting, request our certificate. This may certify
that they are members of our religious Society, orderly in life

and conversation; and their outwards affairs appear to be settled to satisfaction. We recommend them to your Christian care and notice, with desires for their steadfastness and growth in the truth, and are your friends.

Signed on behalf and in direction of Greenwich Monthly Meeting held 7th mo: 3rd 1832

William Reynolds }
 Lois Anthony } (Clerks

Our new friends informed that the subject of altering the time of holding our meeting on the first day of the week being brought before their meeting, we concluded that it should hereafter continue to be held at three o'clock in the afternoon until the first - first day in the seventh month, and to be again held at that hour, commencing the first first day in the third month. — this meeting unites in the above conclusion.

Sarah L. Tobey Clerk for the day.

The second Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 24th of 10th month 1832 The representatives for Smithfield are Sarah Wadlington and Dorcas Moore, for Providence Mirinda Carter and Hannah Gould &c, all present except one for whose absence a reason was assigned.

Sarah Brown informed that she had answered her appointment of last month respecting Zerviah Pickham.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th from each of our preparative meetings, several answers were collected therefrom which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting was presented by our friends Elizabeth Thompson and Lydia L. Smith, whom we appointed our representatives.

Smith's preparative meeting is held that Hannah Wilbur had removed within the limits of our first Monthly Meeting with regard to our appointment. Should some other friend wish to suffer on that account, we should if an application appears, prepare one, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Sydia Southwick presented to this meeting a request to be received from the care of Friends. The Overseers having visited her it appears that tho' she expresses a regard for Friends she does not feel any particular attachment with them or preference for their doctrines and principles of our religious Society: after deliberating on the subject it is concluded to grant her request, and release her from membership in this decision our own friends and Friends should not change it and are appointed to inform her thereof.

A transcript of an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting has been read in this time.

Hannah Southwick Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence Nov. 28th 1832.

The representatives for Providence are Mary Anthony and Barbara Butler for Smith's Friends Melcalf, and Anna E. King, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting informed that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee under appointment to prepare a certificate for Hannah Wilbur presented one at this time, but the subject is deferred till next month.

The friends appointed to inform Sydia Southwick of the conclusion of this meeting respecting her have attended thereto.

Our new friends informed that they had concluded to receive Joseph Smith into membership, in

94. which this meeting unites.

The committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit Cynthia May on the subject of her request inform that they have attended to their appointment, and it is their judgment that it will be inexpedient to receive her into membership: this report being accepted in this and the mens' meeting, the Committee is released.

Through the medium of our men friends we were informed that Mary Tinner had requested that her son Christopher Tinner aged 9 years, might be taken under the care of Friends. We appoint Lydia Breed and Anna A Jenkins to unite with the men friends in their attention to the subject and report to our next monthly meeting.

A Transcript of an Epistle Philadelphia Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 14th of 12th month 1832. The representatives for Smithfield are Sarah Heston and Deborah Arnold for Providence Lydia C Smith and Hannah Gould Jun^r all present.

Deborah Winton and Anna A Jenkins are appointed to inform Cynthia May of the conclusion of last monthly meeting respecting her.

A certificate for Hannah C Tinner was read approved and signed in both meetings.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of New York Indiana and North Carolina have been read in this meeting to the satisfaction of many minds.

Hannah Gould Jun^r Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence the 30th of 1st Month 1833. The representatives for Providence are Sarah Barnsdall and Elizabeth Congdon, for Smithfield Theb Metcalf and Eunice Metcalf all present except one.

The friends appointed to inform Cynthia Olney of the conclusion of this meeting respecting her, have answered their appointment.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Sarah Walker, late Cornstock, daughter of Adam Cornstock, had married contrary to the order of Society, a person not in membership. we appoint Caroline Tobey and Hannah Goulds Junrs to visit her, and report to our next monthly meeting.

The Queries were read, with answers from each of our preparative meetings to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, these with an account to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at this place, we forward by our friends Mary G. Anthony and Abigail Arnold whom we appoint our representatives.

Our men friends inform that they had concluded to disown John G. Anthony this meeting concurs with them herein.

A Certificate on behalf of our friends Pleg and Mary Howland was read, accepted, and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Pleg Howland, with his wife Mary, having removed within the limits of your Meeting, and requested our Certificate. — this we certify, that they are members of our precious Society, of exemplary life and conversation, were diligent in the attendance of Meetings, and have settled their outward affairs to satisfaction, — and that Mary is an Elder in good esteem with us. — As such we recommend them to your Christian and care and are your Friends, Signed on behalf of New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 24th of 1st month 1833

Abraham Treadman & Clerk.
Mary Tabor

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Smithfield the 27th of 2nd Month 1833

The representatives for Providence are Mary & Anthony and Rhoda Carle, for Smithfield Sarah Buffum and Sarah Metcalf, all present except one who we are informed was prevented from attending by sickness in her family.

The Committee under appointment to visit Sarah Walker, presented the following report in relation to our appointments we have visited Sarah Walker and talked with her on the subject of her departure from the order of Society. She appeared to have been fully aware she should forfeit her right of membership, which she did not manifest any desire to retain.

Providence 2nd Mo: 25th Caroline Tobey

1833.

Hannah Gould &

this report being accepted and our new friends uniting therein she is disowned from membership. Lydia Brund and Deborah Ramsdell are appointed to acquaint her with this conclusion.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended conformably to their appointment

Hannah Gould Jun^r & Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
at Providence the 27th of 2nd Mo: 1833.

The representatives for Providence are Barbara & Bailey and Mary & Anthony, for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Anne & Anne, all present

Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> & Clerk



Providence Monthly Meetings of Women Friends held at  
Smithfield the 24<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 1833.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Coffin  
and Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and  
Abigail Arnold, all present.

The Queries have been read with answers from each  
of our preparative Meetings, and a selection made therefrom  
for the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at East Greenwich  
which with an account prepared and signed to us for and  
by our friends Abigail Arnold, Betsey Furinton and Phebe  
Metcalf whom we appoint our representatives.

Lydia Breed reported that Sarah Walker had  
been informed of her disownment.

The friends under appointment to attend the Smithfield  
Meeting, presented a report which was accepted, and is as  
follows viz:

The committee appointed some time past to have  
the care of Smithfield Meeting - Report that since that  
time, some of us have occasionally been at that meeting  
but finding it to be regularly attended by Friends, and  
a very considerable number of sober people who live in  
the neighbourhood who are not members, we have not  
considered it necessary to extend the care towards it which  
appeared requisite at the time of the first appointment  
and now consider it safe to propose to the Monthly Meeting  
to discontinue its care of a committee.

Providence 3rd mo. 31<sup>st</sup> 1833

Enoch Breed } On behalf of  
Betsey Furinton } the  
Committee.

The committee appointed to visit Mary Fennet in consequence  
of her request made the following report viz:

According to appointment we have visited Mary Fennet and  
conferred with her on the subject of her requesting membership  
for her son and are of opinion that her motive is sincere  
and that it may be safe to receive him as a member of our  
Society, which we submit to the judgment of the meeting.

On behalf of the committee - Matthew Furinton

Lydia Breed



95 said report was accepted and Christopher Benson  
received a member of our Society. Esther Burdett  
is appointed to inform her of the decision of our  
meeting.

Hannah Goulds Sec<sup>y</sup> & Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
at Providence the 30th of 5th mo. 1833.

The representatives for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and  
Esther Burdett were present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting in-  
formed that they attended agreeably to appointment.

We were informed that Mary Fenner had been  
made acquainted with the conclusion of this meeting  
respecting her son.

Through the medium of American Unitarian  
mission we were informed that Miss Mathewson was  
desirous of becoming a member of our religious society.  
we appoint Sarah Metcalf Elizabeth Longdon and  
Hannah Goulds to visit her and report to our  
next monthly meeting their judgment in relation to  
the grounds of her request.

Hannah Goulds Sec<sup>y</sup> & Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at  
Smithfield the 26th of 6th mo. 1833

The representatives for Smithfield are Mrs. Metcalf  
and Elizabeth Longdon for Providence Hannah Goulds  
and Hannah May all present.

The committee under appointment to visit Miss  
Mathewson inform that they are not in readiness  
to report at this time.

At test in witness whereof D. Little and  
others faithful and true as follows.



Elizabeth T. Little having removed within  
the limits of your Monthly Meeting, and being  
a very useful woman, who has been a member  
of our Society, and a frequent attendant at our meetings,  
and appears clear of marriage engagements with us,  
as such we recommend her to your Christian care  
and oversight, hoping she may advance in wisdom  
as she advances in years.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of Quincy Monthly  
Meeting held 5th Mo. 30th 1833.

Edy T. Little }  
Samuel Brown } Clerk

The subject of visiting schools for <sup>beneficial</sup> instruction  
having been presented to the meeting, and the serious  
attention of friends generally, to consulting with  
our friends who would assist us in visiting  
schools and promoting in some places within our  
limits as they appeared. Elizabeth Longdon  
and subject Emma <sup>and Wuffington</sup> at the meeting. Caroline Stacey  
just say Lydia South, Nelson, Thomas, Hannah, John, &c.  
schools. These visiting schools were not only  
approved, but the committee appointed  
in the meeting in considering what measures  
would be for the benefit of that and proceed  
in such manner as appears to promise use-  
fulness either in opening schools where it may  
be eligible to do so or in ascertaining what num-  
ber of children will be probably attend and whether  
suitable teachers can be obtained and report to  
our next meeting. Hannah Gould & Clerk.



The representatives of the Unitarian Church are present  
 Mr. T. May and Sarah Metcalf, all present  
 except one.

The committee appointed to visit the  
 Unitarian Church of Christ Church, presented  
 a report which was read, and a  
 plan was adopted.

The committee to our appointment were  
 visited by the Unitarian Church and we had with us  
 the Unitarian Church of Christ Church, presented  
 a report which was read, and a plan was adopted.  
 The doctrines of our Society are not inconsistent with  
 the doctrines of Unitarianism, and an apprehension  
 of religious duty induces her to offer herself  
 to the acceptance of friends — which we  
 will do to the monthly meeting.

To Providence no meeting

Christ Church

7th mo. 14th 1832

Sarah Metcalf

Unitarian Church of Christ Church

Hannah Robinson

Through the medium of Providence, preparative, meeting  
 we were informed that the Quakers had visited

the Unitarian Church of Christ Church

the Unitarian Church of Christ Church

religious meetings and attending with her family  
 those of other Societies, with devotion, in dress

and address, whereupon we have appointed  
 Hannah Robinson to visit her and make

report to next Monthly Meeting

The Committee on the subject of free  
 schools have given an attention to the

subject, and are prepared to report at this time.



104. Providence Dispensary is meeting proposed. Services  
at Bathing. The deacons and Annual Conference  
announcing for services of society which being acceptable to the  
members of meeting they are appointed to the service for the  
to four year ensuing.

appointed.

Mary Jackson and Elizabeth Leland  
are proposed for services of the four which is ac-  
ceptable to this meeting and they appointed for the  
ensuing year.

The Quire has been read with answer  
to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd which with an answer  
to the Quarterly meeting are forward by our friends  
Sarah Metcalf, Lydia C. Smith and Hannah Burt  
who are appointed our representatives.

Our beloved friend Missy Tarranton desired  
in this meeting a concern which has for some time  
rested on her mind to attend the approaching  
Yearly Meeting of Friends, in Delaware with some  
meetings on the way going and returning: after which  
she is to consider the subject, the unity of Friends with  
us in this prospect was expressed; and she  
being a minister in esteem she Clerk is directed  
to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Lydia Burt and others at length are requir-  
ed to confer with a friend for assistant clerk and  
report to our next monthly meeting.

Hannah Burt Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence  
Smithfield the 22nd of 8th month 1800. The representatives for  
Providence are Elizabeth Congdon and Mary Burt for Smithfield  
Deborah Stoddard and Phoebe Stoddard for London.

Hannah Burt Clerk reported that she had received a  
letter from the Yearly Meeting in Delaware which is as follows.

The committee under appointment to visit Mary Jackson  
has attended to the subject, but are not ready to report at this time.





103. Minutes issued to our monthly meetings, to be signed  
by the Clerk of both towns and then is returned and  
that this conclusion be entered in our Book of  
Discipline. — Which the Clerk was directed to for-  
ward as above.

From the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting  
A. Phares, S. Clerk

The Clerk is directed to enter on the Book of Discipline  
the recommendation in regard to Certificates.

The committee appointed to confer with a friend  
for assistant Clerk have proposed Sarah E. Hudson,  
which being satisfactory to the meeting she is appointed to that  
service for the ensuing year.

Hannah Gould, Junr. Clerk.

The representatives for Providence are Mrs. Thalia  
and Hannah Gould, Junr. for Smithfield, Ebenezer  
and Elizabeth Smith, and for North.

The committee under appointment to visit Mary  
Parker presented a report in

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends.

According to appointment we have visited  
Mary Parker and treated with her on account of  
her deviation from our general testimonies, of which  
she was sensible, but manifests no disposition to  
live agreeable thereto, which we present,

and are, your friends.

Caroline Jones

Said report was accepted in this meeting, but in  
compliance with the request from the same body  
the subject is referred to our next monthly meeting.





The record and minutes of the  
at which and report was read and  
adopted on behalf of the Monthly Meeting  
of Friends of New York held 2nd of Feb<sup>r</sup> mo. 1833.

(William Birdsall Clerk for the day  
William T. the business) { Elisha D. Smith Secy

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at  
Smithfield the 30th of 10th month 1833.

The representatives for Smithfield are Dorcas Mearns  
and Patience Haskell for Providence Mary Cooke and  
Rhoda Earle - all present except one.

The Queries were read, with answers to the 1st and  
and 10th from each of our preparative meetings - which  
with an account to the Quarterly Meeting next to  
be held at Somerset we forwarded by our Friends  
Mary Howland and Dorcas Paine whom we ap-  
point our representatives.

A certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meet-  
ing on behalf of William Mitchell (a minor) son of  
Petro Mitchell was read and accepted.

Our man-friends inform that they write with  
us in accepting the report presented by the com-  
mittee last Monthly Meeting respecting Mary  
Jackson, and in her disavowment from Membership  
Mary Howland and Rhoda Earle are appointed to  
inform her of this decision.

Hannah Gould Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Providence the 27th of 11th Mo: 1833.

The representatives for Providence are Phoebe Earle and Phoebe A. Holden, for Smithfield Abby D. Arnold and Phoebe Metcalf, all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee under appointment for that purpose report that have informed Mary Jackson of her disownment.

Our friend Betsey Purinton returned the minute with which she was furnished in the 7th month last, with an endorsement thereon from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends, held by adjournments from the 28th of 10th Mo: to the 1st of 11th Mo: 1833 - informing that she attended that Meeting acceptably.

Our friend Anna A. Jenkins returned the minute granted her in the 7th Mo: last, with information that way had not opened to perform the service she had at that time in prospect of.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of women friends in London and Virginia have been read to satisfaction.

Our men friends inform that they had appointed a Committee to prepare a Certificate for Simon Brewer and family directed to Monthly Meeting of Friends. We appointed Maria S. Anthony and Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> to write with that Committee and if nothing appears to obstruct prepare one and present at our next Mo: Meeting.

Hannah Gould or CLK



Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held at  
Smithfield the 25th of 12th month 1833 - The representatives  
for Providence are Mary Rowland and Elizabeth  
Longdon, for Smithfield Sarah Buffinton and Rachel  
W. Healy - one present from each meeting - the others  
we were informed were prevented attending by  
indisposition in their families.

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings  
of Philadelphia and Ohio have been read at this  
time.

Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Providence  
1st mo. 29th 1834.

The representatives for Providence are Lydia C. Smith  
and Abigail Harris from Smithfield Sarah Metcalf  
and Patience Haskell - who are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the first  
second and tenth from each of our preparative  
meetings, from which we have compiled general  
answers to be forwarded to our next Quarterly  
Meeting. A new committee of friends named and  
Phoebe Metcalf whom we appoint to attend that  
meeting and report their attendance to our next  
monthly meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from Baltimore  
and New York have been acceptably read at this time.

Elizabeth Buffinton who some time past produced  
a copy of a minute - from a Yearly Meeting - has  
requested a returning minute to the same meeting. We  
appoint Patsy Turinton and Rhoda Earle to investigate  
the subject and present a report next month if not  
any other day.

Lydia, and daughter Mchitah (a minor) was read.

and accepted in this and the mens meeting.

A Certificate from Missaithrough Mr. Meeting  
 1834, was read and accepted in both meetings.

Sign'd by direction and on behalf of Greenwich

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at  
 Smithfield the 26th of 2nd month 1834. The representatives  
 for Providence are Deborah Hamdell and Sarah E. Hasdewen.  
 For Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Elizabeth Smith, all  
 present except one who was prevented from attending by  
 indisposition.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report  
 they attended agreeably to appointment.

The friends under appointment to prepare a  
 minute for Elizabeth Buffinton presented the following viz.  
 Elizabeth Buffinton having some time past resided  
 within the limits of our meeting, with a copy of a minute  
 from Swansea Monthly Meeting expressive of her right of  
 membership, she having frequently attended while here, and  
 now returned to the above said meeting has requested  
 a minute should be made - this was certify on her behalf that  
 we continued a member with us, and as such  
 we recommend her. This being approved the clerk  
 is directed to sign and forward it to the above  
 Monthly Meeting.

The following certificates were read and accepted  
 in this and the mens meeting viz

Lydia Smith having removed to reside within the  
 limits of your meeting - this may certify on her behalf  
 that she is a member of this Monthly Meeting, and  
 as far as appears has settled her outwards concerns to  
 satisfaction - with desires for her advancement  
 in the truth we recommend her to your Christian  
 care.

Sign'd by direction and on behalf of Greenwich  
 Mo. Meeting held at E Greenwich 2nd Mo. 3rd 1834  
 By Joanna Peck Clerk  
 William Reynolds Clerk



Elizabeth Smith having removed to reside within the limits of our meeting, this week certify on her behalf that she is a member of this Monthly Meeting, and nothing appears to prevent her outward concerns are settled to Satisfaction - With desires for her advancement in the truth, we recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Greenwich Mts. Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 2nd Mo. 3rd 1834

By Joanna Deeks Clk  
William Reynolds Clk

This Meeting was informed that Phoebe Greene wife of William Greene requests a certificate for herself and daughter Caroline, directed to New Bedford Monthly Meeting - we appoint Patsy Furmston and Mary F. Anthony to make the necessary enquiry, and if nothing appears to prevent, prepare one and bring to next Monthly Meeting

Mannah Gould Secy Clk

Providence Monthly Meeting - Green Friends and Friends are 2nd Mo. 26th 1834 The Representatives for Providence are Sarah Benson and Sarah Smith, for Smithfields Eunice Metcalf and Abigail D. Arnold - all present.

Joseph C. Pickham requests a certificate to Bellingham Monthly Meeting of Friends, for himself, his wife Hannah & and their infant daughter Eliza Mary - Anna A. Leckie and Sarah C. Hadwin are appointed to join the Mens committee, and if nothing appears to prevent prepare one and present to our next Mo. Meeting.

The committee appointed to draft a certificate for Phoebe Greene and her daughter Caroline, presented one which the Clerk is directed to sign and forward to New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Sarah C. Hadwin Assistant Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 23rd of 1st mo. 1834. 218

The Queries have been read with answers thereto and such selected as we believe descriptive of the state of our meeting - which with an account prepared to the Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at East Brunswick, we forward by our Friends, Mary L. Anthony, Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> and Eunice Metcalf whom we appoint our representatives.

A certificate directed to Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends on behalf of Joseph L. Dickham his wife Ann and their daughter Eliza Almy was read approved and signed.

Also one directed to Brunswick Mo. Meeting was read approved and signed on behalf of Wadsworth Chase.

Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends. Held at Providence the 23rd of 5th month 1834. ---

The representatives for Providence are Mary L. Anthony and Caroline Tobey - for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Dorcas Peim - all present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

We were informed through the medium of Providence Preparative Meeting, that Phoebe Almy, daughter of Christopher Almy, requests a certificate directed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting. We appointed Mary L. Anthony and Sarah C. Brown to make the necessary inquiry, and if nothing appears to prevent, prepare in and bring to our next monthly meeting.

Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk.



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 26th of 5th mo 1834.

The representatives for Smithfield are Sarah Buffinton and Esther Haskell, for Providence Abigail Cook and Sarah Cook, all present.

Our esteemed friend, Maria Miller attended this meeting, and a certificate from her church is presented, but as she is not yet 21, we 1834 her company and religious engagement are acceptable to us at this time.

The following certificate was read, approved and signed 1834:

To the friends of the Monthly Meeting of Friends in Smithfield.

Phoebe Amy, daughter of Christopher Amy, formerly of Smithfield, and now residing in Providence, may inform that she is a member of our society, having resided here for a time with a certificate from Danby Meeting, and is clear of marriage engagements amongst us, so far as we know—

We recommend her to your Christian care and oversight, and are your friends.

Signed by the friends of Providence Monthly Meeting held at Smithfield the 25th mo 1834

Mannah Smith Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence the 26th of 5th mo 1834. The representatives for Smithfield are Eunice Metcalf and Phoebe Metcalf for Providence Abigail Cook and Sarah Cook all present.

The business had been sent with answers from each of our preparative meetings to the first, second and third which a summary has been collected, also with an account to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth, in the ward by our friends Dorcas Stone, Abigail Stone and Hannah Gould but whom we appoint our representatives.

Mannah Smith Clerk

The representatives for excidence are Sarah Condon  
Caroline Tobey, for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and  
Elizabeth M. M. M.

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Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting have been read at this time to our satisfaction.

An Extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting, with Queries annexed, have been received  
and read and are as follows:

The subject of the guarded, literary and religious  
instruction of the children and youth of the Society,  
having been fully and ably discussed at the  
last consideration of the Meeting and the import-  
ance of being possessed of a more intimate know-  
ledge of the present state of education among Friends  
in the various sections of this Yearly Meeting being  
generally felt, a Committee was appointed to unite  
with a Committee of the Women's Meeting, in consid-  
ering the subject and to report thereon at a future  
sitting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee introduced  
the following minutes of advice to subordinate Meet-  
ings, which being deliberately considered, were adopted,  
the Women's Meeting uniting therein, and the Clerk  
was directed to forward a sufficient number of  
copies thereof to our several Quarterly Meetings, for  
the supply of each monthly and preparative  
meetings within their respective limits, and also  
the necessary forms for the returns proposed to  
be made to this Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting  
Abraham Hume & Clerk.



The interesting concerns of Education having recently claimed the urgent deliberation of the Yearly Meeting, it is the earnest desire of the body thus assembled, that Friends may endeavour, wherever it is practicable, to establish Schools within their Preparative or Monthly Meetings, to be taught by some person (member of the Society) in which the children of Friends may be secured from the dangers arising from improper associations, and moral and religious principles in conformity to our Christian profession be duly inculcated. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testament be said, read, and such improved methods of instruction be adopted, as will best promote their advancement in useful learning. These Schools should be visited monthly, or oftener, by Committees of men and women Friends appointed by the Meeting, before whom the children should be exercised in the several branches taught in the School. And in those places where it appears impracticable to establish Preparative or Monthly Meeting Schools, it is desired that Friends may endeavor to institute Family Schools, in which the children of one or more Families or of said assembly for literary instruction by some Teacher qualified to impart it. And Friends are every where desired to exercise a becoming liberality in providing Teachers and means of instruction in all their Schools.

To keep alive a concern of such vital importance to our social and religious welfare, and that the Yearly Meeting may be furnished with correct information, Resolutions should be prepared and directed to Friends to their respective Monthly Meetings, a statement of the number of children within their limits, according to the Religious Census, and insert the answers in the several ~~XXXX~~ columns of the form accompanying, which returns are to be forwarded by the Monthly to the Quarterly

Meeting, and a condensed statement of the facts thus collected to be prepared by the Clerks of the Quarterly Meetings or by a Committee appointed for that purpose and forwarded with the next annual accounts to this Meeting.

Queries to be answered by the Preparative Meetings.  
 1st. What number of Schools have been kept under the care of Friends, in your Meeting during the past year? Distinguishing between male and female and also distinguishing those under fourteen, and those over that age.

2nd. What number of Schools have been kept under the care of Friends, in your Meeting during the past year? Distinguishing between male and female, and also between those under fourteen, and those over that age.

3rd. What number of Teachers have been employed in these Schools within the year? Distinguishing between male and female Teachers.

4th. What has been the average duration of the Schools under the care of Friends, within the year?

5th. What number of Teachers have been employed in these Schools within the year? Distinguishing between male and female Teachers.

6th. What number of Children are there in your Meeting under the care of Friends? Distinguishing between those under the age of fourteen, and those over that age.

7th. Is there care taken that the Books used in



115. The following are the subjects of the various departments taught in the School, and persons selected.

(Preparative Meetings are requested to prepare answers to some questions in support of their cause for next year to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetings that will be held in the fourth and fifth months, next year.)

The following report from the Boarding School Committee has been read to our satisfaction viz:

The Boarding School Committee report that they have endeavored to discharge the services confided to them by the Yearly Meetings, during the past year, in attending to the various concerns of the Institution, which have been conducted to a good degree of satisfaction.

Meetings have been regularly continued, and harmony has been preserved. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and sixty eight, seventeen of whom have been pupils in the department of the School for instruction in Languages &c. The School is continued under the immediate superintendence of Ezekiel and Sarah Bond, in which capacity they are assisted by Stephen and Hannah Bond. John Freeman is still usefully employed to superintend the literary department of the Institution. Abner A. Cartland, Henry Carter and Amariah Freeman are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Deborah Ramsdell, Mary E. Freeman, Caroline Cartland, Martha Barker and Anna T. Lockwood in the Girls'. Samuel S. Summerville is continued in charge of the department for &c.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, and the Committee propose that the terms of admission be continued the same as last year and that the privilege of sending one child, six months, free of expense, be continued to Monthly Meetings. Friends are requested not to neglect the established regulations of the School, that

The expense of each quarter is paid in advance.

The Committee believe it proper again to recommend to Friends, in sending their children to the school to observe as much as may be, the periods of time proposed two years since, viz. at the time of our Yearly Meeting as in the first unit of the second, fifth, eighth and eleventh months.

The importance of maintaining plainness of dress in the inmates of this Institution has been claimed the serious attention of the Committee and we think it right at this time to review with Friends the necessity of having their children habited in plain attire, and that no articles of apparel unsuitable through want of plainness be brought by them to the school.

And that the Committees of Monthly Meetings may be enabled to render the necessary advice and assistance, Friends are requested to be careful to make application to them for certificates in sufficient season to afford them this opportunity.

In reviewing the state of the School for the last year we feel bound to acknowledge <sup>gratefully</sup> that the Family and Scholars have been preserved in health and that the Institution continues to afford encouraging evidence of its usefulness to the youth of our Society.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee held and 9th Mo. 1832  
William Jenkins Clerk.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been received, and read to our satisfaction.

We have received at this time transcripts of letters from nearly all the Yearly Meetings on this Continent and one from London, the latter with some from our sister in Indiana have been read to our satisfaction and comfort.

The following Certificate has been read & accepted viz.



## To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

George Brownell, Henry and his wife Elizabeth, with their daughter Sarah Wood Henry, having removed to reside within your limits, request our Certificate. We therefore certify that they are members of our religious society, of orderly lives and conversation, and diligent attenders of meetings, as far as circumstances would admit; on inability more is required that their ordinary affairs are properly settled to respectation. We recommend them to your Christian care and are your friends.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Trun.  
wick Monthly Meeting held at Cranston Oct. mo.  
3rd 1834 by

William Reynolds } Clerks  
Joanna Peck }  
Hannah Gould Junr Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
at Providence the 24th of 7th month 1834

We have received from the Friends in the County of  
Providence a copy of the Certificate of the  
Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
of the 24th of 7th month 1834.

Through the medium of Providence Monthly  
Meeting, we are informed that Pella Highland  
and Mary her wife request a removal certificate  
to the Providence Monthly Meeting of  
Friends, whereupon we appoint a Standing Committee  
to visit them and to write with  
the consent of our friends, and if we ob-  
serve them appear before our next monthly meeting.

In a communication from the Providence  
Monthly Meeting we have received info.

with the Episcopal Church. We appoint  
 Lydia Brund and Anna M. Perkins to visit  
 the next spring to encourage the Society.

Our new friends presented a certificate  
 from the Northampton Monthly Meeting in a  
 half year. We are now in the  
 same.

Hannah Gould Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
 held at Smithfield the 22<sup>d</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1844.

The representatives for Providence are Mary  
 Cooke and Sarah Coffin, for Smithfield Anna  
 L. Allen and Elizabeth Smith are present.

The business of the year will come  
 to the first second and third and a resolution  
 will be proposed to forward to the Quarterly Meet-  
 ing and to be sent to the General which will  
 be received proposed and signed on the minutes  
 by our friends Betsy P. Perkins Maria M. Coffin  
 and Maria L. Anthony whom we appoint our  
 representatives.

Smithfield Proprietors Meeting  
 informed that that they had the William Lloyd  
 of the same Meeting had written to say by mail  
 saying she is present and is a member of the same.  
 We appoint Caroline King Elizabeth Langdon  
 and Susan Paine to visit her and report to  
 next monthly meeting.

Our new friends inform  
 that they have concluded to discontinue the  
 M. H. M. in which this meeting exists.

Elizabeth Langdon Caroline King and  
 Betsy Paine are appointed to confer with  
 some friends for Clerk and Assistant to the



119. Making and report when ready. They are also requested to receive the books and papers of the present Clerk.

The Committee under appointment to prepare a certificate for our friends Peleg and Mary Howland presented one which was read approved and signed.

The friends under appointment to visit Eliza G. Harris presented a report which was accepted and is as follows viz:

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have had an opportunity with Eliza G. Harris on account of her joining another sect of Christian professors. We found her most interesting full of attachment to friends yet she appears quite satisfied with the course she has taken.

We believe that no benefit will result from retaining her a member of our Society which we submit to the Monthly Meeting -

10th mo. 18th 1824

Lydia Bruck

Anna A. Jenkins.

Eliza G. With the concurrence of our new friends she is dismissed from membership. Betsey Durinton and Mary G. Anthony disapprove, are willing to sign with this constitution.

Our new friends presented a certificate addressed to Boston Monthly Meeting, Providence on behalf of others to Lockport which was read approved and signed.

The following certificate was read, accepted viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends,

Lucy Ann Smith having removed to live within the limits of your Meeting requests our certificate. We hereby certify that she is a member of our religious Society on inquiry it appears that she has settled her temporal concerns and is clear of marriage engagements with us. As such we commend her to your Christian care, and are your friends.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Swansea Monthly Meeting held at Somerset 9th mo. 29th 1824. Hiram L. Hall Secy. Clerk. Thomas Wilbur Clerk.

120. A Certificate from Farmington Monthly Meeting is read and accepted viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Alma Bowen having removed to settle within the limits of your Meeting, request us to certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious Society, and on enquiry she has settled her temporal affairs to satisfaction, and is clear of all engagements as far as appears: As such we recommend her to your Christian care and regards

Signed in and on behalf of Farmington Monthly Meeting of Friends held, 1st month 24th 1834

Isaac Hathorn } Edward Townsend } Clerk  
Correspondent } Hannah Smith }

A Certificate for Simon Brown and family is read approved and signed, and is as follows - viz:

To Richmond Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends,

Simon Brown and Eunice his wife, with their children, viz: Emma, Elizabeth, James, Rebecca, Martha, Mary and Charles, having removed as we are informed to reside within the limits of your Meeting We certify that they are members of our Society, were frequent in their attendance of Meetings and have settled their outward affairs to satisfaction. We recommend them to your Christian care and oversight - and remain your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Southfield 1st month 27th 1834

John Tancum } Clerk  
Hannah Gould }



126. Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 11<sup>th</sup> mo:  
26<sup>th</sup> 1834.

The representatives for Providence are  
Meroy Wilkinson and Hannah Almy for Smithfield Patience  
Haskell and Thebe Metcalf being called are all present.

The friends appointed to visit Ruth Angel late Wilkinson  
inform they have attended to their appointment but are not  
ready to report.

The time having expired for which the overseers  
of society were appointed we select Caroline Tobey, Elizabeth  
Longdon and Sarah Searle for that service the year  
ensuing.

<sup>the year</sup> The time having also expired for which the over-  
seers of society were appointed we select Mary G. Anthony  
Dorcas B. Anthony and Sarah Bowen for that service the  
year ensuing.

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence preparation meeting that Deborah Parnell  
request a removal certificate to Halesborough monthly  
meeting we appoint Lydia C. Smith, Betsey Punnett  
and Abigail Arnold to prepare one and present to our  
next monthly meeting.

The men friends inform they  
have come to the conclusion to grant Isaac W. Robbins  
request in wishing to be dismissed from society with which  
this meeting unites.

The friends appointed to attend the  
quarterly meeting inform they attended agreeable to ap-  
pointment.

<sup>of the decision</sup> The friends appointed to inform Eliza G. Harris  
of that meeting inform they attended thereto.

Sarah Searle clk for the day



122. ~~A~~ Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
at Smithfield 24<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1864.

The representatives for  
Providence are Lydia Breed and Rhoda Carle for Smithfield  
Sarah Duffington and Abigail Arnold who are all present  
except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was  
assigned.

Appointment  
of Clerks

The friends appointed to ~~propose~~ condemn with  
some friends for ~~the same~~ propose Lydia C. Smith for  
Clerk and Sarah Searle assistant and they are  
appointed for the ensuing year.

Sarah Fry's  
intention of  
marriage

Providence preparative meeting informs that  
Sarah Fry proposes publishing her intention of marriage  
with Samuel B. Goby; they accordingly appeared in  
this meeting and declared their intentions of marriage  
with each other. Mary G. Anthony and Hannah  
Almy are appointed to take the necessary care in the  
case and report at our next monthly meeting.

Lucretia Cornell  
intention of  
marriage

We are informed through the medium of the same  
Lucretia Cornell meeting that Lucretia Cornell proposes publishing her  
intention of marriage with Thomas Chase they accord-  
ingly appeared and declared their intentions of  
marriage with each other this meeting appoints  
Sarah Searle and Betsey Purinton to make the  
necessary inquiry in case and report to our next mo. mee.

Committee in the case of Ruth Angel are not yet  
ready to make a decisive report and request an addition  
to their number Betsey Purinton is accordingly appointed.

Deborah Ramsdell  
Certificate

Committee appointed to prepare a certificate for  
Deborah Ramsdell presented one which being satis-  
-factory to the meeting is directed to be signed and  
forwarded to Vassalborough monthly meeting.

Christiana Gale  
Certificate

Was read in this meeting a Certificate from Nantucket  
Christiana Gale monthly meeting on behalf of Christiana Gale which is  
accepted and is as follows. viz.

To the monthly meeting of friends a Providence.  
Dear Friends  
Christiana Gale having removed to



123. reside within the limits of your monthly meeting requests our Certificate for herself and daughter Sarah. This may inform on their behalf that they are members of our meeting of orderly life and conversation, and that she has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction.

We recommend them to your Christian Care and attention.

Signed on behalf of the monthly meeting of Friends held at Nantucket 27<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo. 1854

Deleg Mitchell  
Mary Stubbs Clerks

in behalf of the meeting Lydia C. Smith

Providence Monthly meeting of women friends held 28<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo: 1855.

Representatives for Providence Mary Cook and Caroline Toby for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Anna C. King who are present.

Answers, to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> queries, have been read from each preparative meeting and such selected as appeared most suitable to represent the state of the meeting and are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Abigail Arnold and Elizabeth Congdon who are appointed to attend said meeting and report their attendance at our next mo: meeting.

Committee in the case of Sarah Fry report they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Samuel Boyal Toby - they are left at liberty to consummate the same agreeably to the established order of friends Rhoda Earle and Sarah Searle are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report at next monthly meeting.

Committee in Lucretia Cornell's case also report they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Thomas Chase the meeting leaves them at liberty to proceed in the manner prescribed by discipline Mary G.



124. Anthony and Hannah C. Robinson are appointed  
to attend the consummation thereof and report at next  
monthly meeting.

Committee appointed to visit Ruth  
Angel inform they are not yet ready to report decisively.

Gideon C. Smith  
Certificate  
Was received in this meeting a Certificate on  
behalf of Gideon C. Smith and his wife Mary  
W. Smith with their children Mary Elizabeth and  
Anna which is accepted and is as follows. viz.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1855.

The representatives are for Providence  
Penelope Brown and Sarah Henson for Smithfield  
Anna C. Almy and Phoebe Metcalf who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting  
inform they attended agreeably to appointment

marriage of  
Samuel B. Goby  
Committee appointed to attend the marriage of  
Samuel Boyd Goby and Sarah Fry report that  
it was solemnized in good order on the part of friends.

marriage of  
Thomas Chase  
Committee appointed to attend the marriage of  
Thomas Chase and Lucretia Cornel report that it



125. was conducted orderly on the part of friends.

Ruth Angel's case is referred until next month under the care of the same committee.

The men friends inform that they have come to the conclusion to receive Nathan Buffington into membership with which this meeting unites.

We were informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Abigail Griscom proposes publishing her intention of marriage with Samuel G. Gummere at this meeting they accordingly appeared and declared their intentions of marriage Elizabeth Congdon and Caroline Goby are appointed to make the necessary inquiry and report next month.

Signed by Lydia C. Smith

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
25<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1835

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Dorcas B. Anthony for Smithfield Sarah Buffington and Patience Haskell who are present.

Committee appointed to visit Ruth Angel are not yet ready to report.

Committee appointed to make the necessary inquiry in Abigail Griscom's case report they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Samuel G. Gummere. The meeting leaves them at liberty to proceed agreeably to the established order of friends Caroline Goby and Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to attend the solemnization thereof and report next mo.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Overseers Abigail Arnold, Dorcas Paine, Sarah Metcalf, and appointed Sarah Buffington are proposed by that meeting as Overseers of society and Patience Haskell and Elizabeth Smith as overseers of the poor which is satisfactory to the meeting and they are appointed for the ensuing year.



Providence preparative meeting informed that Hannah Gould wife of Stephen Gould requests a removal certificate to Rhode Island monthly meeting. Mary G. Anthony and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.

A Certificate was received on behalf of Jonathan Freeborn and his wife with their children ~~via~~ Esther, Emily Read, Charles Scott, Eliza Amy and Benjamin. which is accepted and is as follows viz.

A London printed epistle of last year has been read at this time.

Lydia C. Smith Clk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 29<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1835.

The representatives are for Providence Rhoda Earle and Mary Cook for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Eunice Metcalf who are present.

The queries have been read in this meeting and answers from each preparative meeting received from which we have selected such as appeared to describe the state of the meeting and are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Congdon, Mary G. Anthony and Dorcas Paine whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report at next mo. meeting.

Ruth Angel's case is referred until next month under the care of the same committee.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Samuel G. Humore and Abigail Griscom report that the appointment was attended to and nothing observed but that it was conducted orderly.

A certificate, for Stephen Gould and Hannah his wife, was presented which being satisfactory to the meeting



127. is directed to be signed and forwarded to Rhode-Island monthly meeting.

Men friends presented a for Samuel Foster directed to Farmington monthly meeting which is satisfactory to us and is directed to be signed and forwarded to said meeting.

The following Certificates for Avis and Ann Smith which were some time since received and accepted in this meeting but objected to in the mens and returned to Greenwich monthly meeting, have been handed in by them at this time with information that they had concluded to accept them.

To Providence monthly meeting of friends

Dear Friends,

Avis Smith having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting; this may certify on her behalf, Certificate that she is a member of this monthly meeting of orderly life and conversation, diligent in the attendance of meetings and her outward concerns being settled we recommend her to your Christian care and are your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Greenwich monthly meeting held 2<sup>d</sup> mo. 3<sup>d</sup> 1834.

Joanna Peck Clk.

William Reynolds Clk.

To Providence monthly meeting of Friends

Dear Friends,

Ann Smith having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, these may certify on her behalf that she is a member of this monthly meeting, and a minister in unity, of exemplary life and conversation careful to attend meetings when her health would admit and her outward concerns being settled, we recommend her to your Christian care and are your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Greenwich monthly meeting of friends held at G. Greenwich 2<sup>d</sup> mo. 3<sup>d</sup> 1834.

By Joanna Peck Clerk  
William Reynolds Clerk



Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 27<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1835

The representatives are for Providence Hannah C. Robinson and Mary G. Anthony for Smithfield Abby D. Arnold and Eunice Metcalf who are all present

The representatives to the quarterly meeting attended said meeting agreeably to appointment.

The committee appointed to visit Ruth Angel presented the following report and acknowledgement which are accepted in this and the mens meetings Rhoda Earle and Anna Perkins are appointed to inform her of the decision of the meeting.

To Providence monthly meeting

Pursuant to appointment, we, your committee have severally visited Ruth Angel on account of her departure from the well known order of our society, by uniting herself in marriage with one not in membership with us; she appeared tender and desirous of retaining her right in society, although deficient in the knowledge of our principles and practices, yet manifesting a desire to be instructed in them and to live more conformable thereto. — under existing circumstances we think it may be well to grant her request, which however, is submitted to the judgment of the meeting.

Elizabeth Congdon  
Caroline Toby  
Betsey Purinton

Providence 27<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo: 1835

To the monthly meeting of women friends of Providence,

My dear friends, for such I esteem you in Ruth Angel's the fulness of that love which thinketh no evil and which acknowledge — I trust my heart will ever retain for all the faithful followers of truth. — Conscious of having erred against the discipline of friends by marrying one who at present is not a member of your society, but who with myself duly approves and highly appreciates the principles of



129. friends; I trust your better feelings will see me to overlook my single offence at my sincere request and still retain me as one of your number.

Ruth Angell

North Providence 5<sup>th</sup> mo 20<sup>th</sup> 1835

Our esteemed friend Betsey Purinton informed this meeting that she had, for some time, had a prospect of attending the ensuing Quarterly meeting of Sandwich and some meetings belonging thereto with which this meeting unites; she being a minister in unity the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Was handed in by the men a certificate of behalf of Wm. Amy Anthony which is accepted.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Lydia Breed wife of Enoch Breed is about to remove to Ware and requested our Certificate. Anna S. Jenkins and Betsey Purinton are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.

Signed by Lydia C. Smith Clerk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 24<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo. 1835.

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Coffin and Barbary Batty for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Dorcas being called were all present.

The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for Enoch and Lydia Breed, has presented one which has been read and approved and the Clerk is directed to sign the same.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Gove attended this meeting with a certificate from Seabrook monthly meeting whose company and religious services have been acceptable.

Also our beloved friend Dolly Dow attended this meeting with a certificate from the same monthly meeting whose company has been acceptable.



We have received information that Ruth Angell has been informed of the decision of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Joanna Meader attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Vassalborough monthly meeting held at East Pond whose company has been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Valentine Meader attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Vassalborough monthly meeting held at East Pond whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Recorded at  
the end of the  
year.

We have received a certificate from Greenwich monthly meeting on behalf of James Dennis and his infant daughter Catharine Jackson which has been read and accepted.

The Clerk is directed to furnish copies of minutes for our friends Elizabeth Gore, Dolly Dow and Joanna Meader, which have been prepared and signed and are to be forwarded to them.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Nancy S. Morris requests to become a member of our religious society Dorcas B. Anthony, Sarah Metcalf and Mary C. Anthony are appointed to take an opportunity with her on the subject of her request and report their judgment of the case to our next monthly meeting.

We are informed through the same medium that Abigail G. Gummere has removed with her husband Samuel G. Gummere to reside within the limits of Radnor monthly meeting and requests our certificate Phoebe Metcalf and Sarah Sault are appointed to prepare one and present to our next monthly meeting.

Ruth Anna Griscom being about to remove within the limits of Radnor monthly meeting also requests our certificate Sarah Buffington and Dorcas B. Anthony are appointed to prepare one and present to our next monthly meeting

Sarah Sault Clerk

for the day.



Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1855.

The representatives are for Providence Mary C. Anthony and Rhoda Earle for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Sarah Buffington who are present except one.

Answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> queries have been read from each preparative meeting and such selected as appeared most suitable and we forward them to the Quarterly meeting by Phoebe Metcalf, Sarah Buffington and Hannah Strong whom we appoint to attend the Quarterly meeting and report their attendance at next monthly meeting.

Our esteemed Mad. Swater attended this meeting with a certificate from Rochester monthly meeting in the state of New York endorsed by Farmington Quarterly meeting whose company and religious labors have been acceptable and the company of his companion Richard Small from Hartland monthly meeting in the state above said has also been acceptable.

Was received and read in this meeting a certificate from Dartmouth monthly meeting which is accepted and is as follows viz.

To the monthly meeting of friends at  
Providence.

Dear friends,

Seth Davis with his wife Mary having removed to live within the limits of your meeting, Seth Davis requests our certificate, these may certify that they are members of our society of orderly lives and conversation, have settled their outward affairs to satisfaction and Seth is in the station of an elder and his wife an approved minister, both of whom are in unity and good esteem with us; we recommend them with their children viz. Clery H. Elizabeth H. James and Moses C. who are also members of our religious society to your Christian care and attention.

Signed by direction of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 24<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1855 Isaac R. Gifford.  
Bry. Barnst. Tucker.



We are informed the Committee appointed to visit Nancy & Morris are not yet ready to report.

Certificates for Abigail G. Gummere and Ruth Anna Griscom were presented which with a small addition are acceptable to the meeting and are to be signed by the Clerks and forwarded to Radnor monthly meeting.

To friends of Radnor monthly meeting officers

Dear friends,

Abigail G. Gummere having removed with her husband Samuel G. Gummere within the limits of your meeting requests our Certificate, this may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our society and was a frequent attendee of meetings when with us, as such we recommend her to your care and are your friends

Signed on behalf of Providence monthly meeting of friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1855.

By Samuel Boyd Joby Clerk  
Lydia C. Smith

To friends of Radnor monthly meeting  
Dear friends,

Ruth Anna Griscom having removed within the limits of your meeting requests our Certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious society and was frequent in the attendance of our meetings while with us, as such we recommend her to your Christian care and are your friends.

Signed on behalf of Providence monthly meeting of friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1855

Samuel Boyd Joby Clerk  
Lydia C. Smith Clerk

Providence preparative meeting informed that Alice S. Angell was desirous of becoming a member of our society we appoint Sarah Buffington, Eunice Wetcat and Hannah C. Robinson to visit her and report at next monthly meeting.



Men friends inform that they have appointed a committee to select a scholar to send to the Boarding School free of expense we appoint Mary G. Anthony, Phoebe Metcalf and Caroline Goby to unite with them therein.

Signed on behalf of the meeting  
Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
27<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1835

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Hannah C. Robbins. for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Deborah Arnold being called are all present.

This meeting is informed that the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting agreeable to appointment.

We are informed that the committee appointed to visit Alice Angell have paid some attention to the subject but are not ready to report.

We are also informed that the Committee in care of Nancy V. Morris are not ready to report at this time.

We have at this time received a certificate from Smithfield monthly meeting on behalf of Elizabeth A. Cornell which has been read and accepted and is as follows viz:

To Providence monthly meeting of friends.

Dear friends,

Elizabeth M. Cornell has removed to live with Mr. Cornell, within the limits of your meeting and requests our Certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious Society, and a diligent attendee of meetings when health would admit. We do believe of an orderly life and conversation, has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction, and is clear of marriage engagements.



amongst us - As such we recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed in and on behalf of Smithfield  
monthly meeting of friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1835  
John E. Stone Clk.  
Sarah A. Castle ass. Clk.

We have also received a certificate from Salem meeting on behalf of George W. Read which has been read and accepted and one from Pembroke monthly meeting on behalf of Robert Shore which has also been accepted.

We have at this time received a report from the yearly meeting Boarding School Committee accompanied with advice that no friend should send any child to the school without observing plainness. School Committee is recommended in discipline with which this meeting fully unites, and men friends inform they have appointed a committee to take the necessary care of children who wish to enter the school to see that their apparel is in conformity with the advice given and we appoint Mary G. Anthony, Eunice, Melcalf, Sarah Buffington, Hannah May and Abigail Arnold to join a committee of men friends for that service.

Betsy Furinton having accomplished her visit has returned her certificate she received in 5<sup>th</sup> mo last with an endorsement from Nantucket Quarterly meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> mo 2 1835 expressive of her company and religious services being acceptable to them also one from Pembroke monthly held 7<sup>th</sup> mo 30 1835 certifying that her company and religious labors have been acceptable and edifying to them.

Sarah Salk assistant Clk.



Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
at 23<sup>rd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1835

The representatives are for Providence  
Abigail Harris and Lydia C. Smith for Smithfield.

Elizabeth Smith and Dorcas Paine who are all present.

The Committee in the case of Alice S. Angell  
presented a report which was read and referred until  
next month for further consideration.

The friends appointed to visit Mary N. Morris report  
that they have attended to the appointment and do not  
think any good will result to the individual or to  
society by granting her request after a time of delibera-  
tion the meeting acceded to the report and concluded  
to dismiss the subject from our minutes. Amos. Jenkins  
Sarah Sarge and Mary G. Anthony are appointed to inform  
her of this conclusion.

Men friends presented a certificate for John  
Farmum directed to Philadelphia monthly meeting  
with which this meeting unites; also one received  
from Farnborough monthly meeting in Penn. on behalf  
of Edward Bancroft; and one from Greenwich mo.  
meeting for Benjamin Franklin Knowles and Hedy  
Ann his wife which are accepted.

To Providence monthly meeting of friends.  
Dear friends

Benjamin Franklin Knowles and  
his wife Hedy Ann having for some time past resided with  
you have now request our removal certificate; these men  
believe in their behalf that they are members of our religious  
society of a long life and conversation, and while with  
us diligent attenders of meeting as far as circumstances  
would admit, and nothing appears but  
that their outward affairs are settled to satisfaction;  
as such we recommend them to your Christian care  
and are your friends

Signed on behalf of Greenwich monthly meeting of friends held  
at Coventry 3<sup>rd</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1835.

William Reynolds, Mod.  
Lewis Anthony



Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield - 8<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> mo. 1835

The representatives from Providence are Abner  
Carl and Sarah S. L. for Smithfield Sarah  
Buffington and Eunice Metcalf who are present

Answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> queries have been  
received from each preparative meeting and a resolution  
made which we think represents the state of this  
meeting and are to be forwarded to our next quarterly  
meeting by Sarah S. L., Elizabeth Smith and Lydia  
C. Smith whom we appoint to attend the quarterly  
meeting and report next month.

The report of the Committee in Alice Angell's  
case being again read, this meeting after a time  
of deliberation concludes to receive her into  
membership the mens meetings uniting therein, as  
Mary Davis and Betsey Purington are appointed  
to inform her of the decision of the meeting.

So Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
We have a agreeable to appointment visited Alice S  
Angell on the subject of her request to be admitted  
into membership with friends. She appeared to be  
convinced of our principles, and to have requested from  
an apprehension of duty, believing her sincere, we  
think it may be well to grant her request  
which we submit to the meeting.

Providence 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835. Eunice Metcalf  
Sarah Buffington  
Hannah Robinson

The committee appointed to inform Nancy A  
Morris report they have attended to the appointment.  
Men friends inform they have concluded to disown  
Daniel Howland, Also that they have come to the  
like conclusion in regard to Jabez Hill. This meeting  
unites with them therein.

A certificate was presented by men friends for Moses  
Brown Lockwood which is accepted.

Signed by Lydia C. Smith Clerk



Providence mo meeting of women friends held  
11<sup>th</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1835.

The representatives are for Providence  
Thomas B Anthony and Rachel W Healy, for Smithfield  
Sarah Buffington and Sarah Metcalf, who are all  
present. This meeting is informed that the friends  
appointed to attend the quarterly meeting attended agreeable  
to appointment. We are also informed that Alice  
S Angell has been informed of the decision of this  
meeting in her case last month.

We have received a copy of a minute from Smithfield  
monthly meeting on behalf of Rebecca Jenks which has  
been read and accepted.

Transcripts of epistles from North Carolina, Virginia,  
New York, and Philadelphia have been read  
acceptably read at this time.

Sarah Savle assistant Clerk

Providence mo meeting of women friends held  
at Smithfield 12<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1835.

The representatives for Providence are Anna H  
Jinkens and Mercy Wilkinson, for Smithfield  
Abby D Arnold and Sarah Buffington. the representa-  
tives all present, except one for whose absence a satisfactory  
reason was assigned.

This meeting is informed that Christina Gale and  
her daughter Sarah has returned to Nantucket monthly  
meeting and requests our certificate. We appoint Hannah  
Almy and Sarah Buffington to prepare one and present to  
our next monthly meeting if nothing appears to prevent.

A memorial on behalf of Obediah Brown deceased was  
presented to this meeting which was read and approved.  
A certificate from Swansea monthly meeting on behalf  
of Anna R Fiske wife of Isaac Fiske was read and  
accepted, and is as follows. viz.

Dear friends, Anna R Fiske having removed to live with  
her husband Isaac Fiske within the limits of Providence



monthly meeting, requests our certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious society, frequent in the attendance of meetings, and that she has satisfactorily settled her pecuniary affairs. As such we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight, and are your friends.

Signed on behalf of Swansey monthly meeting held at Somerset 14<sup>th</sup> mo 30<sup>th</sup> 1835-

David Shove }  
Laura L Chace } clks.

Phoebe Micalf Clerk for the day

Providence monthly meeting of women held  
1<sup>st</sup> mo 27<sup>th</sup> 1836-

The representatives for Providence are Mary Benson and Mary Davis for Smithfield. Mary W Smith and Phoebe Micalf, all present.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth have been read in this meeting and such taken therefrom as appeared most suitable and are to be forwarded with some account to the quarterly meeting next to be held at Providence. Mary Benson, Abigail Arnold and Sarah Larle whom we appoint to attend said meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Christina Gale, and her daughter Sarah, have presented one which has been read and approved and the Clerk is directed to sign the same.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Mary Benson a member of this meeting requests our certificate to Greenwich monthly meeting. Betsey Turrington and Sarah Larle are appointed to prepare one and present to our next monthly meeting.



A certificate from Rhodeisland monthly meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1835 on behalf of Eliza M Wardsworth a minor daughter of John and Eliza Wardsworth, has been read and is as follows, viz.

Dear friends, Eliza M Wardsworth daughter of John and Eliza Wardsworth a minor having removed to reside with Parents within the limits of your meeting application was made for our certificate, we certify that she is a member of our society, and recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed in and on behalf of  
Rhodeisland monthly meeting of women friends held  
at Portsmouth 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1835—

David Buffum Clerk

Hannah Mott Clerk for the day

The time having expired that the Clerk and assistant were appointed for Betsey Purington and Mary I Anthony are appointed to select some for that service and forward their names to our next monthly meeting—

Sarah Sarge Assistant Clerk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
at Smithfield 24<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1836.

The representatives for Providence Mary Cooke and Rhoda Earl, for Smithfield Darcas Fane and Abigail <sup>Annoda</sup> all present, The friends named to select a Clerk and assistant are not ready to report. The friends appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended—

The the friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Mary Benson have presented one which has been read and approved and the Clerk directed to sign the same.

The time having expired for which the overseers of society were appointed, we appoint, Rhoda Earl, Phoebe H Holden, and Sarah Sarge for the year ensuing—



Men friends inform that Seth Davis is about to remove with his family within the limits of Dartmouth monthly meeting and requests our certificate, we appoint Betsey Turrington and Hannah C Robinson to join a committee of men friends to prepare one.

The Yearly Meeting general epistle of London has been read and was to satisfaction

Hannah Almy Clerk  
for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1836-

The representatives for Providence are Abigail Harris and Lydia R Freeborn, for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf, and Sarah Buffinton. all present.

The friends appointed to select a Clerk and assistant, have proposed Sarah Sarle for Clerk and Lydia R Freeborn assistant clerk, and they being united with, are appointed for that service the ensuing year.

The friends appointed last <sup>month</sup> to prepare a certificate for Seth Davis and family, have presented one, which is approved and the clerk is directed to sign the same.

We have received a certificate from Swansea monthly meeting on behalf of Daniel Buffinton and family which is acceptable to us.

An Epistle addressed to friends in Great Britain and Ireland has been read at this time to our satisfaction and we hope edification. The extracts of our last yearly meetings minutes has also been read at this time -

Sarah Sarle Clerk



141. Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at  
Smithfield 4<sup>th</sup> mo 27<sup>th</sup> 1836.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Coffin &  
Mary G Anthony, for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith  
and Eunice Metcalf. All present.

The Queries have been read with answers from each  
of our preparative meetings, and a selection made  
therefrom for the Quarterly meeting next to be held at  
Greenwich, which, with an account we forward by  
our friends Sarah Tarle, Eunice Metcalf and Betsey  
Parvinton, whom we appoint our representatives.

Men friends inform they are about to receive Samuel  
Harris a member of our religious society with which  
this meeting unites.

A Certificate on behalf of Solomon  
Kinyon, also one on behalf of Thomas E Kinyon  
have been received and read, and is accepted.

Transcripts of Epistles from London, Indiana  
and Baltimore yearly meetings have been read  
at this time we trust to the edification of many minds.

Sarah Tarle Clerk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held 5<sup>th</sup> mo 19<sup>th</sup> 1836 -

The representatives for Providence are Abigail  
Harris, and Hannah C Robinson, for Smithfield  
Sarah Metcalf and Abby D Arnold, all present  
except one.

This meeting is informed that the friends  
appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, attended  
agreeable to appointment.

A Certificate from Swansea monthly meeting on  
behalf of Content Robinson <sup>has been</sup> read, accepted, and is as  
follows viz.

To Providence mo meeting  
Dear friends, Content Robinson having removed to  
live within the limits of your meeting, requests our



112. certificate, this may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our meeting and on enquiry nothing appears but <sup>that</sup> her pecuniary concerns are adjusted to satisfaction, and clear of marriage engagements with us as such we recommend her to your Christian

David Shore Clerk

Shebe Wood Clerk for the day

By direction on behalf of Swansea mo meeting held at Fall River 7<sup>th</sup> mo 25 1836  
Rebecca Sinks informed this meeting that she requested a few lines to Smithfield monthly meeting; Mary G Anthony & Sarah Sork are appointed to prepare them and present to the next monthly meeting. A Certificate from Smithfield mo meeting on behalf of Mercy Will wife of George Will has been read, accepted and is as follows, <sup>Vis</sup>  
To Providence Mo meeting of friends Sarah Sork Clerk  
Dear friends

Mercy Will wife of George Will having removed to live within the limits of your meeting - this may certify on her behalf, that she is a member of our religious society, of orderly life and conversation, and has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction, as such we recommend her to your care -

Signed on behalf of Smithfield mo meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> mo 28 1836

John C. C. born Clerk

Lydia R Kelly Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 6<sup>th</sup> mo 29<sup>th</sup> 1836.

The representatives for Providence are Mary G Anthony and Mercy Wilkinson for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Dorcas Parr, all present  
Our beloved friend Joanna Meador attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from



143. Caspaborough monthly meeting, whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

The friends appointed last month to prepare a few lines for Rebecca Jenks have presented them which have been read and approved and the clerk is directed to sign the same.

Our beloved friend Samuel Rhoads attended this meeting with a certificate from Darby Monthly Meeting, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, held 26<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836 and endorsed by Concord Quarterly meeting whose company and religious services are acceptable to us.

Also our beloved friend Valantine Meader attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Caspaborough Monthly Meeting, whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Elizabeth D. and Mary H. Griscom request removal certificates to Burlington No Meeting, Newjersey. Lydia C. Smith, Anna A. Jenkins and Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to prepare them and present to our next monthly meeting.

Sarah Sarge Clerk

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Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 27<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1836

The representatives for Providence are Caroline Tobey and Rhoda Earl, for Southfield Elizabeth Smith and Mary R. Buffinton, all present.

The queries with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> have been read and much taken therefrom as appeared most suitable, and are to be forwarded with some account to the Quarterly meeting by Dorcas Laine, Betsey Turinton, and Eunice Metcalf whom we appoint to attend said meeting.



The friends appointed last month to prepare certificates for Elizabeth D. and Mary H. Griscom have presented them, which have been read and approved and the clerk is directed to sign the same.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Anne Linn Spenser wife of Christopher L. Spenser has requested to become a member of our religious society, on account of which we appoint Caroline Tobey, Hannah C. Robinson and Eunice Metcalf to take an opportunity with her on the subject of her request and report to our next monthly meeting.

Smithfield preparative meeting proposes Abigail Arnold, Sarah Ruffinton, Thomas Taine and Sarah Metcalf for members of society, Abby I. Arnold, Anna C. Almy, Faticence Huskell and Eunice Metcalf overseers of the poor, with which this meeting unites and they are appointed for that service the year ensuing.

Men friends inform they have come to a conclusion to disown Charles H. Linn with which this meeting concurs.

Sarah Tarle Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 8<sup>th</sup> mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1836.

The representatives for Providence are Hannah Almy and Sarah Tarle for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Sarah Metcalf, all present.

This meeting is informed that the representatives attended the Quarterly meeting agreeable to appointment.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Hannah Sisson proposes publishing



145. her intention of marriage with Benjamin Greene before this meeting, they have accordingly appeared and declared their ~~and~~ their intentions of marriage with each other, Sarah Buffinton and Abigail Arnold are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and report to our next monthly meeting. The committee appointed last month in the case of Ann Louisa Spenser inform they have paid some attention to the subject but are not ready to report. A report from the boarding school <sup>committee</sup> has been read at this time, Also a communication from the Yearly meeting containing much good counsel and advice has been read in this meeting.

Sarah Fiske Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 28 1836

The representatives for Providence are Phoebe H. Holden and Elizabeth Congdon for Smithfield Milly Fair and Eunice Melcalf, all present.

The Committee appointed in case of Hannah Scisson report they find nothing to hinder her proceeding in marriage with Benjamin Greene, and she having the consent of her parents herein, they are left at liberty to consummate the same agreeable to the good order of friends. Betsey Turinton and Sarah Buffinton are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report ~~thereof~~ to our next monthly meeting. The committee appointed to visit Ann Louisa Spenser in consequence of her request presented the following report, and said report being accepted and having the unity of men friends herein she is admitted into membership with us. Phoebe H. Holden and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

To Providence monthly meeting of women friends.  
Dear friends.

Pursuant to appointment we have had an opportunity of conference with Ann Louisa Spenser



upon the subject of her request to come under the care of friends. She appears to be convinced of our principles and to manifest a disposition to live conformably thereto, we believe her procedure is from motives of sincerity and an apprehension of duty - and think it may be safe to grant her request.

Caroline Tobey

Hannah C. Robinson

Erinice Metcalf.

9<sup>th</sup> mo 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Ruth Scott has joined herself in membership with another society, this meeting appoints Anna A. Jenkins and Sarah Sarge to take an opportunity with her and report to our next monthly meeting.

We have at this time received a certificate from Baltimore monthly meeting on behalf of Joseph Peckham and Hannah F. his wife and their two minor children. W<sup>ts</sup> Eliza Olney & William Jenkins Peckham which has been read and accepted.

We have also received one from the same monthly meeting on behalf of Judith Peckham which has been read and accepted and is as follows, W<sup>ts</sup>.

To the monthly meeting of friends at Providence Rhode Island

Dear friends

Judith Peckham having removed within your limits of your meeting, requested our certificate, this is to certify that she is a member of our religious society in good esteem with us and as ~~such~~ we recommend her to your christian care and notice.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Baltimore monthly meeting for the Eastern and Western Districts (in unity with the ancient Yearly meeting of friends) held the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 18<sup>th</sup> mo 1836

Nicholas Tappin

Correspondent

John F. Balderson

Grove & Jenkins, Clerks

Sarah Sarge Clerk



1476 At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held.  
at Smithfield 10<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 1836

The representatives for Providence are Rhoda Earl and Sarah F. Tobey for Smithfield Abigail Arnold and Elizabeth Smith, all present.

The queries with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> have been read at this time, and such taken  
therefrom as appeared most suitable, and are to be  
forwarded to the Quarterly meeting, by our representatives  
who are Eunice Metcalf, Elizabeth Congdon and Mary  
Buffinton.

Sarah Buffinton informed this that she  
attended the marriage of Benjamin Greene and  
Hannah Sisson, and that it was conducted agreeable  
to the good of friends.

Betsy Furinton assigned a  
satisfactory reason for not attending said marriage.  
The friends appointed to inform Ann Lydia Spencer  
of the decision of this meeting report they attended  
to their appointment.

The committee appointed to  
visit Ruth Soot report they have had an opportunity  
with her and that she appeared satisfied with the  
course she has taken in uniting herself with  
another society, and as it does not appear that  
usefulness could be derived in continuing her a  
member, it is the judgement of this meeting it  
would be best to make a minute against her  
and having the concurrence of men friends herein  
she is disowned from her right of membership  
with us. Hannah C. Robinson and Betsy  
Furinton are appointed to inform her of  
the decision of this meeting.

Signed on behalf of the meeting

Sarah Larle Clerk



Providence Monthly Meeting of women & friends held 11<sup>th</sup> Mo 23 1836

The representatives for Providence are Hannah C Robinson and Judith Peckham for Smithfield Abby D Arnold and Lydia B Metcalf — all present. Owing to the clerk being absent with the minutes of last month we defer that portion of the business, and proceed to transact such as may come before the present meeting —

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, inform they attended — A certificate has been presented from Nantucket monthly meeting on behalf of Maryann Baker which has been read and is acceptable to us and is as follows. Viz —

To Providence Monthly Meeting of friends  
Dear friends

Maryann Barker having removed within the limits of your meeting requested our certificate, she being a member of this meeting and of orderly life and conversation we recommend her to your christian care and oversight

Signed by direction of Nantucket mo<sup>thly</sup> meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 29<sup>th</sup> 1836 —

Peleg Mitchell  
Mary Stubby

A certificate has been received from Uxbridge monthly meeting on behalf of Richard Batley and Rachel his wife, with their children Anna and Sarah which is acceptable to us —

Lydia R Freborn  
Assistant Clerk



142. Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends: held at Smithfield 12<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 1836.

The representatives for Providence are Mary G Anthony and Lydia C Smith, for Smithfield Lois Cisson and Rebecca Mitchel, who are all present except one.

The mens meeting inform they have come to the conclusion to disown George Comstock from his right of membership, with which this meeting unites.

Transcripts of Epistles, from Ohio — and Virginia Yearly meetings, also the Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly meeting, have been acceptably read at this time.

Lydia R Freeborn  
Assistant Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 1<sup>st</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1837.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Hynion and Judith Peckham, for Smithfield Anna C Blumy and Dorcas Paine, all present except one.

The queries have been read with answers from each of our preparative meetings, and a selection made therefrom which we forward to the quarterly meeting by our representatives Mary G Anthony, Hannah C Robinson and Dorcas Paine.

Men friends inform they have come to a conclusion to disown from their rights of membership. Samuel Shove, Edward Manton, and James C Anthony, with which this meeting concurs.

We have received a certificate from Greenwich monthly meeting.



Deborah Stephens and her children Phoebe  
Almy and Mary Elizabeth, which has been  
read and accepted, and is as follows viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear friends.

Deborah Stephens having  
removed with her husband Robert  
Stephens and their children, to reside  
within the limits of your meeting; has requested  
our certificate. This may certify that she is  
a member of our religious society, consistent  
in demeanour; and diligent in the attendance  
of meetings, the children are also members,  
and their names are. Phoebe Almy and Mary  
Elizabeth.

With desires for their  
preservation in the truth we commend  
them to your Christian care and are your friends

Signed by direction of Greenwich  
monthly meeting of friends held at East  
Greenwich 2<sup>nd</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1837-

Lois Anthony  
William Reynolds *clerk*

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence preparative meeting, that Catharine  
Kynion a member of this meeting and a  
resident on Rhode Island has united herself  
in marriage with a person not of our society  
and the clerk is directed to forward a few  
lines to Rhode Island monthly meeting requesting  
them to take the necessary care in the case  
and report their judgement to us.



The friends appointed to inform Ruth Scott of the decision of this meeting, report they have attended to their appointment.

Sarah Stark Clerk

Providence Monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 22<sup>nd</sup> 1837-

The representatives for Providence are Elizabeth Congdon and Lydia R. Freeman for Smithfield Eunice Melcath and Deborah Arnold All present

The time having expired for which the overseers of society, and those of poor were appointed, Rhoda Earl, Phoebe H. Holden and Sarah Stark are appointed as overseers of society - Lydia C. Smith and Elizabeth Congdon as overseers of the poor for the year ensuing and the overseers of Smithfield preparative meeting are retained until the expiration of the time that the other overseers were appointed for -

We have received a certificate from Southkingston monthly meeting on behalf of Eunice Kingon which has been read and accepted, and is as follows viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting  
Dear friends

Eunice S. Kingon daughter of Solomon having removed to live within the limits of your meeting requests our certificate, this is to certify on her behalf that she is a member of this meeting, and on enquiry it appears that her outward concerns are settled, and clear of marriage engagements with us, as such we recommend her to your christian care and oversight.

Signed by direction of Southkingston Monthly Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> mo 20<sup>th</sup> 1836

By, Susan C. Wilbur Clerk  
Wm. A. Robinson



The time having expired for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed, Elizabeth Congdon, Betsey Parmenter, and Anna H Jenkins are appointed to select some for that service and present their names to our next monthly meeting.

Sarah Sarge Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends  
held 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 29<sup>th</sup> 1837.

The representatives for Providence are Caroline Tobey and Judith Teekham, for Smithfield Mary Buffinton and Milly Paine. All present.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield preparative meeting that Deborah Finkes (late Hill) has connected herself in marriage with one not of our society in consequence of which Mary G Anthony and Sarah Kingston are appointed to visit her and report their judgement in the case when the service is accomplished.

We are also informed through the same medium that Elizabeth A Cape (late Wilkinson) has united herself in marriage with one not of our society. Eunice Metcalf and Elizabeth Smith are appointed to visit her and report their judgment in the case when the service is accomplished.

Our beloved friend Anna H Jenkins spread before this meeting a concern which had accompanied her mind to attend the monthly meeting of friends in New York, and also to visit such families belonging thereto as way may open for.



and after receiving the consideration of this meeting was united with, and she being a member and minister in unity with us, she is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct, and the Clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Men friends inform they have come to the conclusion to disown Alzo Chase from his right of membership with which this meeting concurs.

Sarah Darle Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield 8<sup>th</sup> mo 26 1837.

The representatives for Providence are Rhoda Carl and Hannah C Robinson for Smithfield Sarah Bunffinton and Anna C Almy, All present.

We have received answers from each of our preparative meetings from which we have selected such as appeared most suitable to describe the present state of this, which with some account are to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Luke W. Holden, Lewis Wain and Sarah Darle, whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee in care of Liberator pickers (late Hill) informed this meeting that they had paid some attention to the subject, but was not ready to report.

Our beloved friend Anna A Fenkins returned a copy of a minute she received last month with information that she had performed the visit to the peace of her own mind.



154. Men friends inform they have concluded to receive Christopher W. Spencer's two youngest children members of our society, whose names are James Aborn, and Thomas Henry, with which this meeting unites.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that Hannah S. Greene requests a removal Certificate to Greenwich Monthly Meeting — Betsey Purinton and Sarah Surl are appointed to prepare and present to our next monthly meeting

Sarah Surl 6th

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Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1837

The representatives for Providence are Deborah Stephens and Rhoda East — for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Mary R. Buffinton who are all present.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting attended except one.

The committee in case of Deborah Pink presented the following report which this meeting accepts and with the concurrence of men friends she is accordingly disowned from her right of membership with us. Elizabeth Smith and Anna C. Olney are appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting and report when the service is accomplished.



155. By a copy of a minute received from New York Monthly Meeting we are informed that our beloved friend Anna A Jenkins attended that meeting, also visited the families of friends in that City, and that company and gospel labours have been acceptable and edifying to them.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Hannah S Greene presented one which is acceptable -

The London Yearly Meeting Epistle, and also an Epistle of council to the Quarterly and Monthly meetings of friends in great Britain and Ireland have been read at this time.

Lydia R Freeborn  
Assistant Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield 6<sup>th</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1837

The representatives for Providence are Hannah Almy and Sarah F Tobey for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Deborah Arnold. All present except one.

The friends appointed to inform Deborah Jenkins of her disownment inform that they have attended to their appointment.

The friends appointed to bring forward names for clerks inform they are not ready to report at this time -

We have received from Greenwich Monthly Meeting a certificate dated 1<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1837 on behalf of Eliza Briggs which is with the concurrence of men friends accepted, and is as follows. Viz -



To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Eliza Briggs having removed to reside within the limits of your Meeting requests our certificate. This may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious society, consistent in her life and conversation and her temporal concerns appear to be settled to satisfaction.

With desires for her growth and preservation in the truth, we recommended her to your Christian care.

Signed on behalf of Greenwich Monthly Meeting held at Coventry 1<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1837

Lois Anthony  
William Reynolds  
Clerk

A certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Peleg Aldrich and his wife Mary and their two daughters Sarah B Eley Mo. dated 26<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1837 which is accepted.

Ernie Metcalf  
Clerk for the day.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held 1<sup>st</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1837

The representatives for Providence are Caroline Tobey and Mary G Anthony, for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Dorcas Paine, All present. We have received answers to the three queries usually answered from each of our preparative meetings, from which we have selected the following as describing our present state, and are



157. to be forwarded to you with some account by our friends Mary G Anthony, Eunice Metcalf, and Dorcas Fane whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Anna A Jenkins spread before this meeting a concern which had for sometime rested on her mind to attend Baltimore Yearly Meeting, and some of the meetings within the limits of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and after considering the subject, was united with, and she being a member of this meeting, and a minister in unity with us, is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct.

Our beloved friend Joanna Meader attended this meeting with a certificate from Vassellborough Mo Meeting held at East Pond 5<sup>th</sup> mo 17<sup>th</sup> 1837 whose company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Also our beloved friend Ann Pope attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Vassellborough Monthly Meeting held at East Pond 5<sup>th</sup> mo 17<sup>th</sup> 1837. whose company has been acceptable to us.

A certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rowland Rathborn and Alice his wife, their two daughters, Mary and Elizabeth, has been received, read, and is acceptable to this meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting, that Eliza R Gould (late Little) has united herself in marriage with a person not in membership with us, in consequence of which Phebe H Holden and Eunice Metcalf are appointed to take an opportunity with her and report their judgement in the case next month.

The committee appointed in the case of Elizabeth B. Case report they have paid some attention to the subject, but it is the judgment of this meeting, that it should be deferred until another month under the same committee care, with the addition of Dorcas Faine and Anna H. Jenkins.

An address of the Yearly Meeting of friends for New-england held on Rhode Island in the sixth month 1837. to its own members and those of other christian communities, has been read at this time —

Sarah Larle Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1837

The Representatives for Providence are Mary Wilkinson and Rhoda Cook for Smithfield — Hezekiah Arnold and Abby D. Arnold all present — The friends appointed to select a clerk and assistant have proposed Sarah Larle Clerk and Lydia R. Fuburn Assistant, with which the Meeting unite and they are appointed to serve the year out from the time they resigned. —

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform they attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee in the case of Eliza B. Gould report they have paid some attention to the subject but are not ready to report.

The committee in the case of Elizabeth A. Case inform they are not ready to report. —

Men Friends inform they have come to the conclusion



to dinner. Moses B Comstock from his right of Membership with us with which this Meeting concurs. —

A certificate from Berwick Monthly Meeting held at North Berwick on behalf of John & Elizabeth Meade and their son John Joseph a Quaker, has been received and is acceptable to this Meeting.

(The extracts of our last Yearly Meetings Minutes have been acceptably read among us. —

The annual report of the Boarding School Committee, with information from the Yearly Meeting has also been read at this time.

Shuah Child Clerk.

Portsmouth Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 28th 1837. —

The representatives for Portsmouth are Phoebe H. Holden and Caroline Brown in Smithfield Milly. Jane and Mary Buffington are present except one for whom absence a satisfactory reason is assigned. —

Catharine H. Boyd a Member of this Meeting now residing within the limits of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting has by a request from this Meeting been invited by a Committee from this on account of Mary, being one who is not a member of our Society and they have forwarded the following report (viz)

To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth for Rhode Island 28th 1837. —

Agreeable to appointment we have had several appointments with Catharine H. Boyd for Marying out of the circle of Society and find her very desirous of being joined under the care of friends and appears willing to make satisfaction for her transgression and we think in good degree of sincerity which with an acknowledgment from her we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Elizabeth Hathaway  
Hannah Dimes

160. And it is thought best by this Meeting to defer the case with the acknowledged until another Month. —

Men friend inform they have come to the conclusion to disown Joseph M. Haskins from his right of Membership with which this Meeting unite. —

Our beloved friend John Meader spread before this Meeting a concern which have for some time rested on his mind to attend the approaching Assembly Meeting held in Baltimore. also some other Meetings going and returning after considering the subject was united with and he being a Member of this Meeting and a Minister in unity with us is left at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth may direct. —

Sarah Sade Clark

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friend held at Smithfield 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1837. —

The representatives for Providence are Mary D. Anthony and Abigail Pathben for Smithfield Church Mitealy and Miss E. Almy. all present.

We have received answers to the first second and tenth queries from each of our preparative Meetings from which we have selected the following ones are to be forwarded to the quarterly Meeting by our friend Elizabeth Meader Elizabeth Smith Sarah H. Tobey who are appointed to attend said Meetings. —

(This Meeting has come to the conclusion to accept the report of the Committee from Catharine Rhode Island Monthly Meeting respecting Catharine H. Boyd H. Boyd also accept her acknowledgments and grant a request to be continued a member and having the consensus of the Mens Meeting herein she is continued a Member of our Society and Sarah Sade is



164. appointed to inform her of the decision of this Meeting

Smithfield preparative Meeting informs that Mary Quincy has requested to become a member of our religious Society in consequence of which Alice Ketchum, Susan Linn and Betsy Peniston are appointed to take an opportunity with her and report their judgment in the case next month.

A certificate from Pembroke Monthly Meeting in behalf of Stephen Brooks a Minister has been received and is accepted. - Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meadon appeared before this Meeting a concern which had for some time impressed her mind to visit some meetings belonging to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting and to appoint a few Meetings among them not of our Society - and after deliberately considering the subject was united with her being a member of this Meeting and a Minister in Society with her is left at liberty to attend to her prospect as truth may open the way. - the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minutes, Betsy Peniston, Alice Ketchum and a Naugle Anthony are appointed to take the necessary care in providing suitable company. -

This Meeting is informed that Richard Batley has removed with his family within the limits of Wybury Monthly Meeting and request an Certificate. - Mary E. Anthony and Sarah Sade are appointed to join a committee of men friends in preparing one and present to our next Monthly Meeting. Sarah Sade Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 11<sup>th</sup> Month 29<sup>th</sup> 1837. -

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Sade and Phoebe H. Holden - for Smithfield Phoebe Metcalf and Mary W. Smith.

This Meeting is informed that the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting attended

agreeably to appointment - The Committee in the case of a Mary Dunsley inform they have not attended to their appointment - and the case is still continued under their care -

A Certificate on behalf of Richard Butty and family has been presented which is approved and the clerk is directed to sign the same -

The friend appointed to inform Catherine H. Boyd of the decision of this Meeting informed she has attended to the appointment -

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins has at this time returned her certificate she received in 4<sup>th</sup> month last with information that she had been enabled to perform her visit and return with the sword of peace - We have also received a few lines from Baltimore Yearly Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> month expression of her Com. being acceptable to that Meeting -

A certificate from Bolton Monthly Meeting Hannah on behalf of Hannah Holder has been received. Her Holder's and is acceptable to us - Also one from Nantuxetts Certificate Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sarah Howland wife of Poley Howland which is likewise acceptable and they are as follows -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of friends Dear friends

Hannah Holder having removed within the limits of your Meeting requests our Certificate. This may certify on her behalf - that she is a member and Elder in unity with us diligent in the attendance of Meetings and has settled her temporal concerns as far as appears and as such we recommend her to your care and attention



signed on behalf and by direction of Bollen.  
 Monthly Meeting of friends held 10<sup>th</sup> month 25<sup>th</sup> 1837  
 (Thomas Fay, Clerk)  
 Richard F. Holden

To Providence Monthly Meeting of friends  
 Dear friends

Sarah Howland wife of Peleg Howland Jr.  
 having removed to reside within the limits of your Meet-  
 ing has requested an certificate. She being a Member  
 of this and as far as appears of orderly life and conversa-  
 tion we recommend her to your Christian care and as  
 your friends — On behalf of Amherst Monthly  
 Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1837.

Peleg Mitchell, Clerk  
 Sarah Stubbs

We are informed through the medium of Providence  
 Preparative Meeting that Azubah Wallace Daughter  
 of Nahum Wallace has requested to become a Member  
 of our Society. We appoint Anna A. Jackson Elizabeth  
 Congdon and Caroline C. Gay to take an opportunity with  
 her and report their judgment in the case next month.

Sarah Smith Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friends  
 held at Smithfield 12<sup>th</sup> month 27<sup>th</sup> 1837

The Representatives for Providence are  
 Miss Rathbun  
 Hannah Almy  
 for Smithfield — Eliza Briggs  
 Ennis Metcalf

all present

This Meeting has concluded to accept the report  
 of the committee in the case of Eliza Gould, also

164. to accept her acknowledgements and grant her request to be continued a member of our Society, and having the concurrence of the Man friends herein she is continued a member. Alice Rathbone is appointed to inform her of the decision of this Meeting. — The Committee in the case of Mary Quindley has presented the following report which is accepted and having the unity of Man friends she is admitted into membership with us. Emma Metcalf is appointed to inform her of the decision of this Meeting. —

The committee in the case of Azubah Wallen have also presented a report which is accepted and having the unity of Man friends herein she is received into Membership with us. Sarah Sule is appointed to inform her of the conclusion of this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Menden has at this time returned her copy of a minute she received in the 10<sup>th</sup> month last with information that she had been enabled to perform the visit to the pen of her own mind, together with an endorsement from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford 12<sup>th</sup> month 7<sup>th</sup> 1837 — Also a copy of a minute from Nantucket Monthly Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1837 and a copy of a minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> month 11<sup>th</sup> 1837 expressing that her company and gospel labors had been acceptable to them —

We are informed that Ezra Arnold has removed within the limits of Philadelphia Monthly Meeting Southern District, and requests our Certificate for himself and family.

Elizabeth Smith and Sarah Sule are appointed to join a committee of Man friends in preparing



165. one and presenting to our next monthly meeting. —

Sarah Sarah Clark

Providence Monthly Meeting, afternoon  
premier held 1<sup>st</sup> month 21<sup>st</sup> 1838. —

The representatives for Providence are Hannah  
C. Robinson and Judith Packham — for  
Smithfield Anne E. May and Eunice Net-  
calf all present. —

We have received answers to the three queries  
usually answered at this time from each of our  
Preparative Meetings from which we have selected  
the following and they are to be forwarded to the  
yearly Meeting by our friends Mary G. Anthony  
Elizabeth Congdon and Dorcas Paine. —

The friends appointed last month to inform  
Eliza R. Gould, Mary Quinby and Elizabeth  
Wallace of the decision of this Meeting in their  
several cases, report they have attended to  
their appointments. — The Committee appointed  
to visit Elizabeth & Case have presented the  
following report. (viz) Agreeably to our appoint-  
ment we have had opportunities with Elizabeth &  
Case on account of her connecting herself in marriage  
with a person not in Membership with us. One of the  
Committee has recently visited <sup>her in</sup> New York where she  
now resides, and on enquiry has found, that friends  
there who have become most acquainted with her feel  
a confidence in the uprightness of her intentions, and ex-  
pect that the sincerity of her desires to be retained  
in Society has been covered by the regularity of  
her attendance of Friend Meetings since being in that  
City. — This having been the result of the information  
received respecting her, we considered it right to pre-  
sent the foregoing statement, that the Meeting may  
be qualified to judge of the propriety of

returning her as a Member. — Annasth. Perkins.

Barra Parin

Emmett Metcalf

Elizabeth Smith jr

which the Meeting accepts and also her acknowledgment and grants her request to be continued a member, and having the unity of members herein she is continued a member of our Society and Anna A. Perkins is appointed to inform her of the conclusion of this Meeting. —

A Certificate on behalf of Agar Arnold and family has been presented to this Meeting which has been read and approved, and the clerks are directed to sign the same. — Men friends inform they have concluded to receive Ruben Canning a member of our Society with which this Meeting concurs —

Smithfield preparative Meeting inform that a Mrs. Maria Edwards (late Wilkerson) has connected herself in Warrumag with a person who is not a member of our Society which we defer until another month —

Sarah Seale Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women friends  
held at Smithfield 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 25<sup>th</sup> 1835 —

The Representatives for Providence are Hannah Holdea and Anna A. Perkins for Smithfield Anna E. Hony and Mary Holick — all present. —

This Meeting is informed that the Representatives attended the Quarterly Meeting agreeable to appointment —

They were appointed last month to inform Elizabeth & Grace of the conclusion of this Meeting reports she has attended to her appointment —



187. We were informed last month through the  
medium of Smithfield Preparative Meeting  
that Ann Maria Edwards (late Wilkenson) a  
member of this Meeting and now residing in New  
York has committed herself in marriage with a  
person not in Membership with us and the Clerk  
is directed to procure a few lines to New York  
Monthly Meeting requesting to take the necessary  
care in the case and report their judgment to us  
when the service is accomplished —

A certificate from Ferrisburg Monthly Me-  
ting on behalf of Huldah A. Meader has been received  
and is acceptable to us and is as follows  
(viz)

To Providence Monthly Meeting in the  
State of Rhode Island  
Dear friends

Huldah A. Meader residing  
within the limits of your Meeting requests our Certifi-  
cate (This Certificate on her behalf that she is a mem-  
ber of this Meeting and it appears that her temporal  
affairs are settled to satisfaction and she is clear  
of Marriage engagements amongst us: as such we  
recommend her to your Christian Care and Oversight)

Signed on behalf of Ferrisburg Monthly Me-  
ting held at Monkton 29<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1837 by  
William Dean Clerk  
Abigail Hoag sk for the day.

John Knowles Correspondent —

(This meeting is informed that Elizabeth A. Cross  
has removed within the limits of New York Monthly  
Meeting and requests our Certificate - Sarah Suler  
and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to prepare  
one and present to our next Monthly Meeting -

The time having expired that the Overseers

168. were appointed for, Anna A Jenkins  
Dorcas Prince Lydia C. Smith Sarah Metcalf  
Elizabeth Mendenhall and Anna C. Hony are  
appointed to select some for that purpose and  
propose their names to our next Preparative  
Meeting -

Our beloved friend John Mendenhall  
appeared before this Meeting a concern that  
had impressed his mind to visit some  
of the Meetings belonging to Sandwich and  
Smithfield Quarterly Meetings and to  
appoint some Meetings among those not of  
our Society and after considering the subject  
was invited, with and he being a member  
of this Meeting and a Minister in unity with us  
is left at liberty to pursue his prospects as truth  
may open the way -

The time having expired that the Clerk  
and Assistant were appointed for, Miss Battison  
Elizabeth Congdon and Anna A Jenkins are  
appointed to select some for their service and  
propose their names to our next Monthly Meeting

A transcript of an Epistle from New York  
Yearly Meeting has been read at this time -

Sarah Sibley Clerk

Providence the Meeting of Women friends held  
3rd Mo 28th 1838. - The Representatives for Providence  
are Betsey Burdett and Deborah Stephens, for  
Smithfield Thob. Metcalf and Dorcas Prince all present

The Committee appointed last month to  
confer with some persons for Clerk and Assistant -  
propose Lydia C. Smith for Clerk and Sarah S. Tobey  
for Assistant, which being acceptable to the meeting  
they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year



168. The Committee under appointment to prepare a certificate for Elizabeth A Case presented the following viz. which being acceptable to the Meeting, the Clerk is directed to sign and forward:

To the Monthly Meeting of New York  
Dear Friends

Elizabeth A Case having removed to live with her husband James Case, within the limits of your Meeting requests our certificate. These are to certify on her behalf that she is a member of the Meeting; as such we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight, and are your friends.

Signed on behalf, and by direction  
of Providence Monthly Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 25<sup>th</sup> 1833

Arnold Congdon Secy  
Jas G. Foley Asst. Clerk

The time having expired for which the overseers were appointed, the preparative meetings propose for Providence Rhoda Earle Sarah Sack and Phoebe H. H. Lister for overseers of Society, and Elizabeth Congdon Mary G. Anthony and Lydia C. Smith for overseers of the poor. For Smithfield Abigail Arnold Sarah Metcalf Eunice Metcalf and Elizabeth Smith for overseers of Society, and Phoebe Metcalf and Mary W. Smith for overseers of the poor. Which being satisfactory to the Meeting, they are appointed to that service for the following year.

Our beloved Friend Anna A. Lenkins appeared before this Meeting a concern which has for some time rested with weight upon her mind to attend Dover Quarterly Meeting, and visit a few meetings belonging thereto - and also to visit a few meetings within the limits of Salem and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings - after a time of solid consideration, her prospect was fully united with, and she left at liberty to attend to it as way may open - she being a minister in unity with us the Clerks were directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

We are informed through the

Medium of Providence Preparative Meeting that  
Catharine H. Bond requests a removal certificate  
from this, to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, and we  
appoint Mary P. Anthony and Lydia C. Smith to prepare  
one and present at our next meeting — We are also  
informed through the same medium that Eliza  
R. Gould requests a removal certificate from this to  
Rhode Island Mo. Meeting — and we appoint Alice  
Bathum and Caroline Tobey to prepare one and present  
to our next Mo. Meeting.

The Overseers inform that  
Nancy H. Shove daughter of Samuel Shove has for  
some time neglected the attendance of our meetings  
and is about joining in membership with another  
Society, and we appoint Hannah C. Robinson Hannah  
Hobbs and Elizabeth Smith to visit her, and report to  
our next meeting — They also inform that  
Catharine Jackson daughter of Mary Jackson has for  
a long time neglected the attendance of our religious  
meetings, has attended other meetings and frequented  
places of public amusement — we appoint Elizabeth  
Meador, Elizabeth Congdon and Alice Bathum to  
visit her on account of her deviations, and report to  
our next meeting.

A certificate from New-Bedford Mo.  
meeting on behalf of Lydia Congdon has been read,  
accepted, and is as follows — viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Lydia wife of Arnold Congdon  
having removed with her husband within the compass  
of your meeting, requests our certificate. We hereby  
certify on her behalf, that she is a member in  
good esteem among us, and on inquiry, we find  
nothing to prevent our recommending her  
to your Christian care and oversight and



172. remain your friends.

Signed in, and on behalf of. New Bedford  
Monthly Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. 25<sup>th</sup> 1838

William C. Taber }  
Mary Taber } Clerk

Our men friends inform that they have concluded  
to disown William B. Shaw from in which this  
meeting unite.

Sarah F. Tobey - Assistant Clerk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield 25<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1838.

The representatives are Elizabeth Congdon and  
Elizabeth Meader for Providence and Elizabeth  
Smith and Eunice Metcalf for Smithfield all present.

The queries have been read, with answers from each  
of our preparative meetings and such selected therefrom  
as we believe descriptive of the present state of our meeting,  
which we forward with some account to the Quarterly  
meeting next to be held at East Greenwich by our friends  
Eunice Metcalf, Alice Bathum and Elizabeth Congdon  
whom we appoint our representatives.

The friends appointed last month to prepare a certificate  
for Nathaniel G. Boyd presented one which being ac-  
ceptable to the meeting the clerk is directed to sign  
and forward.

The Committee appointed to prepare a certificate  
for Eliza R. Gould have also presented one which is satis-  
-factory to the meeting and the clerk is directed to sign  
the same and forward it to R. I. mo. mee.

The friends under appointment to visit Nancy H. Shaw  
presented the following report viz.

To Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
Agreeable to appointment we have visited Nancy H.  
Shaw; she treated us respectfully, informed us she had  
united herself to another denomination that she had



was wholly unacquainted with the principles of friendship and that she is perfectly satisfied with the steps she has taken. It is our judgment that further labor will be useless which we submit to the monthly meeting

Providence 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 6<sup>th</sup> 1838

Hannah Robinson

Hannah Holder

Elizabeth Smith

which being acceptable to the meeting, and having the concurrence of men friends therein, she is disowned from right of membership with us and Mary G. Anthony and Rhoda Carl are appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

The Committee appointed last month to visit Catharine Jackson on account of her deviations from our practices and testimonies presented the following report viz.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Catharine Jackson on account of the complaint presented against her; she received us kindly but appears to be satisfied in the course she has adopted - and has no desire to be continued a member of our society -

All which we submit to the judgment of the monthly meeting to be held 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 25<sup>th</sup> 1838

Elizabeth Congdon

Shea Rathbun

Elizabeth Meader

which is acceptable to the meeting and having the unity of men friends herein she is disowned from right of membership with us and we appoint Sarah Gaby and Betsey Purinton to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Mary Eldridge is desirous of becoming a member of our society, we appoint Shea Rathbun, Elizabeth Meader



173. and Donors Pair to visit her on account of her request and report their judgment in the case to our next meeting.

This meeting is informed that George. Shum requests a removal Certificate for himself and family from this to Dartmouth monthly meeting — and we appoint Eunice Metcalf and Mary G. Anthony to join a Committee of men friends in preparing one to present to our next monthly meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey 1st Clerk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 30<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1838.

The representatives for Providence are Mercy Wilkinson and Hannah Holder for Smithfield Phoebe Metcalf and Mary Reynolds Buffington who are all present.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee appointed to visit Mary Eldridge report they have paid some attention to the subject but are not prepared to make a full report.

The meeting was informed that the Committee appointed to inform Esther Jackson of her disownment have not been able to attend to the appointment in consequence of her absence.

The friends appointed to inform Nancy H. Shove of the decision of this meeting respecting her not being present at this time the subject is referred until next month.

Our beloved friend Anna S. Perkins returned to this meeting the Certificate with which this meeting furnished her in the 3<sup>d</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> last accompanied with returning minutes from the Quarterly meeting held at Dover in the 4<sup>th</sup> mo: and one from the monthly meeting of Berwick held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of the same month expressive of their satisfaction in having her company and religious services.



176 A Certificate was presented by men friends from  
Santucket monthly meeting on behalf of Samuel Austin  
which is accepted.

Our Esteemed friend John Meader  
returned to this meeting the minute furnished him in  
the 2<sup>d</sup> month accompanied with a minute from the  
monthly meeting of New-Bedford held in the 4<sup>th</sup> month  
expressive of their satisfaction in his company and  
Gospel labors. Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1838. — Representatives are  
for Providence Rhoda Carle & Hannah Robinson  
for Smithfield Milly Paine and Sarah Metcalf who  
are present.

The Queries have been read in this meet-  
ing with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>d</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from each  
preparative meeting and such selected as appeared  
most suitable to describe the present state of the  
meeting which we forward to the Quarterly meeting  
by Alice Rathbun, Phoebe Metcalf and Lydia  
P. Treborn, whom we appoint to attend said  
meeting and report their attendance to our next meet-  
ing. Catharine Jackson being still absent the Committee  
have not attended to the appointment.

Committee appointed to visit Mary Eldridge  
informed they have paid her. Another visit  
but think it best the subject should be referred  
until another month — the meeting votes in the  
proposition —

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader in a  
weighty manner spread before this meeting a  
concern which she felt to pay a religious visit to  
friends and others in some parts of the Yearly  
meeting of Philadelphia, the subject having claimed  
the solid consideration of the is fully united with  
in this and the mens meeting and she left at liberty



146. to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct.

Our Esteemed friend John Meader spread before us a concern to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting at Baltimore and some meetings within its limits and to visit friends and others in some parts of Philadelphia. Yearly Meeting we unite with him in the reason and he is left at liberty to pursue the prospect as truth may direct. Committee to inform Nancy H. Shove of the decision of this meeting report the appointment has been attended to.

We were informed through the medium of the preparative meeting that Caroline Hazard has removed to South Kingston monthly meeting and requests a removal Certificate Lydia C. Smith and Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to prepare one if nothing appears to prevent and present to our next monthly meeting.

Men friends informed they had come to the conclusion to disown Benjamin B. Chase with which this meeting unite.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friend held the 29<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>mo</sup>: 1838.

Representatives are for Providence Hannah Holder and Caroline Doby for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Mary R. Buffington - all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting informed they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee under appointment to visit Mary Eldridge on account of her request inform they have not been able to give further attention to the subject since our last monthly meeting, the case is still deferred under the care of the same Committee.

The friends appointed to inform Catharine Jackson of the decision of this meeting not being present we for



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the subject is again deferred to our next monthly meeting.

The committee appointed last month to prepare a Certificate for Caroline Hazard presented one which being acceptable to the meeting the Clerk is directed to sign and forward the same.

Emmie Robbins having for some time resided within the limits of the bridge monthly meeting without a Certificate we appoint Elizabeth Congdon, Emmie Metcalf and Elizabeth Smith to join a committee of men friends to make the necessary inquiry and if ~~they~~ nothing appears to prevent prepare one and present to our next monthly meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield preparative meeting that Hannah Peckham - late Farnum - has so far deviated from our discipline as to connect herself in marriage with one not in membership with us we appoint Hannah C. Robinson and Elizabeth Congdon to visit her upon that account and report to our next monthly meeting.

The London printed Epistle has been read at this time fraught with much good council and encouragement.

A satisfactory report of the boarding School Committee has been read in this meeting.

We have received at this time transcripts of epistles from several neighboring yearly meetings.

Lydia R. Freeborn Clerk for the day

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held the 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1838

The representatives are for Providence Lydia Congdon and Penelope Brown who are present the minutes from Smithfield not received.



148. The Committee appointed to visit Mary Eldridge on account of <sup>her</sup> request - presented the following report viz.

“We your committee appointed in the 4<sup>th</sup> mo; last to visit Mary Eldridge on account of her request to become a member of our Society, have attended to our appointment, and have had several opportunities with her, to a good degree of satisfaction; she appears to be convinced of our principles, as far as she has become acquainted with them, also manifests a desire to live consistently therewith. And we believe her request was offered to the meeting from a sense of duty.

All which we respectfully submit to the monthly meeting of Friends to be holden at Providence 9<sup>th</sup> mo 29 1836.

Alice Rathbun  
Elizabeth Meader  
Circas Paine

which is acceptable to the meeting and with the concurrence of the mens meeting she is received into membership - Anna A. Jenkins and Lydia South are appointed to inform her of this decision.

The meeting was informed that Eunice Robbins has removed within the limits of New York monthly meeting and the subject of furnishing her with a Certificate is referred under the care of the same committee.

The friends appointed to inform Catherine Jackson of this <sup>the</sup> ~~meeting~~ <sup>conference</sup> are not prepared to report.

“Committee to visit Hannah Peckham presented the following report viz.

To the monthly meeting -

The Committee appointed to visit Hannah Peckham report, that they have had an opportunity with her; she appears sensible that she has deviated from the order of friends, yet did not express any desire to be retained a member or a willingness to make friends satisfaction, and wishes them to dispose of the case as they think best.

Elizabeth Congdon  
Hannah L. Robinson



which is accepted by the meeting and she is with the unity of men friends disowned from our society - Sarah F. Goby and Alice Rathbun are appointed to inform her of the same.

Men friends informed that Christopher C. Spenser has removed to live within the limits of Greenwich monthly meeting and requests our Certificate directed thereto Lydia C. Smith and Lydia Congdon are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield the 24<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1841

The representatives are for Providence Sarah F. Goby and Lydia B. Freeman for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Mary Eldridge who are present. The queries have been in this meeting with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>d</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> from each preparative meeting from which we have selected such as appeared to describe the present state of the meeting and forward them to the year tokens meeting by Lydia Rathbun and Dorcas Paine whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report their appearance at our next monthly meeting.

The appointment in regard to Mary Eldridge has been attended to.

Committee appointed to inform Catherine Jackson of the decision of this meeting report that she has been informed thereof.

The friends appointed to inform Hannah Rathbun of the conclusion of the meeting have not been able to attend to the appointment.



189. A Certificate for Christopher L. Spencer and family was presented which being acceptable to the meeting the Clerk is directed to sign and forward to Greenwich monthly meeting.

The following Certificate for Maria S. Weston and family was received and is accepted, viz.

A communication was received from a New York monthly meeting, by which it appeared that, that has taken the necessary care in the case of Maria Edwards as requested by this meeting, they also forwarded to this meeting an acknowledgment from the individual - the subject is referred for consideration one month.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 28<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1868

The representatives are for Providence Mary C. Anthony and Quettie Peckham for Smithfield Hannah Hately & Charles Paine who are present.



Our Esteemed Friend Hannah H. Batty attended this meeting with a certificate from Starksborough monthly meeting held the 4<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo; 1838. endorsed by Harrisburgh Quarterly meeting held the 9<sup>th</sup> of the same month expressive of their unity with her as a minister her company and religious engagements have been satisfactory to us. The company of her husband and Companion Cyra Batty an Elder in unity with Starksborough monthly meeting is also acceptable.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform they attended said meeting.

Committee appointed to inform Hannah Peckham of the decision of this meeting respecting her report they have attended to the appointment.

On reconsidering the case of Ann Maria Edwards the meeting has come to the conclusion to disown her from membership the men writing therein - Sarah Sault is appointed to inform her thereof.

Our Esteemed Friend John Meader returned to this meeting the Certificate granted him in the 14<sup>th</sup> mo. last accompanied with an endorsement from the Yearly Meeting held in Baltimore the present month expressive of their satisfaction in his company. Elizabeth Meader also returned the certificate granted her at the same time and gave information that she had been enabled to accomplish the visit to the peace of her own mind.

Signed Lydia C. Smith Clerk.



Providence Monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1838.

The representatives are for Providence Lydia  
Congdon and Lydia A. Lockman for Smithfield  
Elizabeth Smith and Sarah Holbrook who are present.

The friend appointed to inform Anna Holbrooks  
not being present the subject is referred until next  
month.

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence preparative meeting that Anna A. Lockman  
proposes publishing her intention of marriage with  
James Bennett before this meeting then accordingly appeared  
and declared their intentions of taking each other  
in marriage; Lydia Congdon and Elizabeth Smith  
are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and  
report next month.

A returning minute for our friend Hannah H.  
Bartley was handed in by her friends which being  
approved by the meeting the Clerk was directed to  
sign it on behalf thereof. Lydia A. Smith.

Providence Monthly meeting of women friends  
held the 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1839.

The representatives are  
for Providence Rhoda Carr and Mary G. Anthony  
for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf and Mary A. Duffington  
who are present.

The queries have been read in this  
meeting with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>d</sup>, and tenth from  
each preparative meeting from which we have  
selected such as was thought most proper to  
describe the state of the meeting and forward  
them to the Quarterly meeting by Lydia A. Lockman  
Elizabeth Smith and Congdon whom we appoint  
to attend said meeting and report at our next  
monthly meeting.



The friends appointed the case of Anna P. Lachwood report they find nothing to prevent her from proceeding in marriage with James Linnis they are therefore left at liberty to proceed agreeably to the established order of friends. Mary W. Buffington and Lydia Congdon are appointed to attend the solemnization of their marriage and report at next month's meeting.

The appointment in regard to Saml L. Edwards has been attended to.

Lydia C. Smith Secy.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield the 27th of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo. 1839

The representatives are for Providence Mary G. Anthony and Sarah Henson for Smithfield Sarah H. Otis and Eliza Briggs who being called are present except Mrs.

The representatives to the quarterly meeting attended said meeting agreeably to appointment.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Anna P. Lachwood and James Linnis report that it was solemnized in an orderly manner.

Extracts from the minutes of last year's meeting and the manuscript of an epistle from the yearly meeting in London have been acceptably read at this time.

Lydia C. Smith

Providence monthly conference held at Smithfield 27th of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo. 1839.

The representatives are from Providence Eliza Carl and Hinda W. Carter for Smithfield Eunice Otis and Esther Hackett who are present.

A communication from the monthly meeting of New York was received giving the information that the



Caroline had been informed of the conclusion of this meeting respecting her.

Our Esteemed friend Anna H. Jenkins spread before this meeting a concern, which she had felt for a considerable time to attend the approaching yearly meeting at Philadelphia, which was fully united with by the meeting and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mearns also informed the meeting that she felt a concern to pay a religious visit to the monthly meetings of Embury, Lonsdale and Rhode Island and to appoint some meetings among those that are not of our society; the subject having claimed the united consideration of the meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth's wisdom may direct.

Our beloved friend Sarah H. Poley a member in unity with us informed the meeting that she proposed accompanying Anna H. Jenkins in her proposed visit to Philadelphia yearly meeting which was united with in this meeting and the Clerk directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

A Communication was received from Richmond monthly meeting requesting our care in the case of Lucy Metcalf a member of that meeting now residing within our limits who has connected herself in marriage with one who is not a member of our society we appoint Dorcas Baine, Elizabeth Smith and C. Mary R. Buffington to visit her on the account and report when the service is accomplished.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed to the Rathbone, Elizabeth Congdon and Mary G. Anthony are appointed to confer with some friends for Clerks and assistants and present their names to our



next monthly meeting.

The time also having expired for which the  
messengers at society and of the few were appointed  
Caroline Tobey, Mary W. Buffington, Abigail Thayer  
and Anna C. Jenkins are appointed to bring forward  
names for those appointments to answer to our meeting.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk

At Providence monthly meeting of 20 men  
friends held at Smithfield 21<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month '53

The representatives are for Providence  
Mary C. Anthony and Rhoda Earle for  
Smithfield Anna Liden and Mary Thayer  
who are present.

The friends appointed to bring  
forward names for Clerk and assistant propose  
Lydia C. Smith for Clerk and Sarah H. Tobey  
for assistant which being united with they are  
appointed for the ensuing year.

Answers to the queries have been received from  
each preparative meeting and read in this  
room which we have selected general answers  
and forward them to the quarterly meeting by  
Caroline Thayer as a for minister's agent.  
Smith whom we appoint to attend said  
meeting and report at our next monthly meeting.

Our Beloved friend Anna C. Jenkins returned  
to this meeting the minute granted her last month  
to attend the yearly meeting of Philadelphia  
and gave information that she had been enabled  
satisfactorily to perform the prospect therein  
expressed. She also spread before the meeting  
a concern she had felt for a considerable time to attend  
Smithfield quarterly meeting and to visit a few  
of their churches. Which having the most considera-  
tion of the meeting and was fully united with and  
she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth  
may direct.



185. Our Esteemed friend John Reader informed this meeting that he has for some time felt as concerned to attend the yearly meeting of Providence the prospect was quite uninviting and he left it wholly to persons it actually man direct.

The Committee in the case of Lucy Metcalf report they have attended to the appointment and that it is their judgment that she is not in a suitable state of mind to be retained a member and that Clerk is directed to give the information to her in a proper manner.

Our beloved friend Sarah D. Tobey returned the minute furnished her last month's meeting to attend the next year's yearly meeting and informed that she attended said meeting.

When friends informed they had come to the conclusion to discontinue Caleb Cook with which this meeting united.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 29<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1839.

The representatives are for Providence Rhoda Carle and Sarah Carle for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Eunice Metcalf whose presence except on religious grounds was prevented from attending by illness.

The representatives to the Annual Meeting attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee appointed to bring forward names for overseers propose Rhoda Carle, Sarah Carle and Phoebe H. Holden as overseers of society and Mary G. Anthony and Lydia Congdon as overseers of the poor for Providence preparative meeting and for Smithfield Dorcas Paine, Sarah Metcalf, Eunice Metcalf and Elizabeth Smith overseers of society and Phoebe Metcalf and Mary W. Smith overseers of the poor which being united with they are appointed for the following year.



We are informed through the medium of  
Providence preparatory meeting that Yvonne  
H. H. H. has been disappointed the attendance of  
our meetings and is unable to do so with and the  
Complaint we appoint Carrie C. H. and  
Elizabeth Smith to visit her on the account  
and report when the service is performed.

We are informed through the same medium that  
Hannah Holder requests removal Certificate  
to Bolton monthly meeting Lydia C. Smith and  
Elizabeth Holder are appointed to prepare  
one and present to next monthly meeting if they  
find nothing to prevent.

Our Esteemed friend Elizabeth Holder  
returned to this meeting the minute granted her  
in the P. M. and produced a returning minute  
from Swansea monthly meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> mo.  
expressive of their satisfaction in her company and  
labors amongst them she also informed the visit  
had been accomplished to the peace of her own  
mind.

Our friend, informed that a request had  
been made to them that the children of Charles  
H. H. H. might be furnished with a removal  
Certificate to Hybridge monthly meeting  
Elizabeth Congdon and Sarah S. are  
appointed to unite with a committee of men  
friends in preparing one.

A Certificate was received on behalf of Robert  
Colmy and Hannah his wife with their children  
daughter Mary which is accepted.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk



1837 (11) Second monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield 20<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1837.

The representatives are for Providence Deborah  
Stevens and Phoebe L. Pickham for Smithfield  
Sarah C. Metcalf and Mary Hurd who are present.

The Committee in the case of Hannah B. Shove  
are not ready to report.

Our beloved friend Rachel Thorne attended  
this meeting with a copy of a minute from the monthly  
meeting of 1837 held in the 5<sup>th</sup> mo expressing  
of their unity, her as a minister and in her present  
engagement, her infirm and labor of love amongst  
us have been truly acceptable.

A Certificate was presented for Hannah Stoddard  
which being satisfactory to the meeting the Clerk is  
directed to sign it on behalf thereof and forward it  
to Bolton monthly meeting.

A satisfactory Certificate was also presented for the  
Children of Charles Stoddard and the Clerk is to  
sign it and forward it to Uxbridge monthly meeting.

A Certificate was received on behalf of Ellen  
Wing and her wife Abigail with their niece Mary Anne  
Wicks which is accepted and is as follows viz.



A minute was received from Rhode-Island. A monthly meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo; acknowledging their satisfaction in the company and religious services of our esteemed friend Elizabeth Meader in her late visit to that meeting.

Our esteemed friend John Meader returns the minute furnished him in the 4<sup>th</sup> mo and produced a returning minute from the yearly meeting of New York expressing their satisfaction in his company and religious services.

Lysia C. Smith Secy

(A Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1839—

The representatives are for a Providence Sarah Searle and Mary G. Anthony for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Eunice Metcalf who are present. The queries have been read in this meeting and answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> Q. and 10<sup>th</sup> from each preparative meeting—we have selected general answers therefrom which are to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Elizabeth Meador, Olive King and Eunice Metcalf whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report at next monthly meeting.

Committee in the case of Hannah B. Shove presented a report which is accepted by the meeting and is as follows viz.

Yours Committee appointed to visit Hannah B. Shove report, that we have attended to our appointment, and ascertained that she differed from us in religious sentiment, has united herself in membership with another denomination, and expressed her full satisfaction with the course she had taken. We think further care in the case would not be useful.

Elizabeth Smith  
Eunice Metcalf

7 mo 17<sup>th</sup> 1839



1839 she is by the united judgment of this and the mens meeting disowned from her right of membership in our society - Sarah Sarge is appointed to inform her of this decision.

A Certificate was received for Olive Arnold which is accepted and is as follows viz.

To Providence monthly meeting of friends.  
Dear Friends,

Olive Arnold having removed to live within the limits of your meeting requested our Certificate.

This may certify on her behalf, that she is a member of our society, a diligent attendant of meetings while with us and on enquiry it appears she has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction - we recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Smithfield monthly meeting of friends held 27<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1839

John Osborne Clk.

Lydia R. Hilly Clk.

Men friends inform that Peleg Howland and wife request a removal Certificate to Saratoga monthly meeting Elizabeth Meader and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent

Our Esteemed friend John Meader spread before the meeting a concern which he felt to pay a in the love of the Gospel a visit to friends and others in the limits of Ferrisburgh Quarterly meeting and some meetings within the limits of Dover Quarterly meeting the subject having claimed the solid consideration of friends was united with and he left at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth may open the way.

L. C. Smith Clk.



Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield 28<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1839—

The representatives are for Smithfield Sarah  
Otecoff and Anna C. Dennis for Providence  
Sarah Henyon and Dorcas B. Harkness  
who are present except one prevented by indisposition.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting  
attended agreeably to appointment.

*Hannah B. Shore* The friend appointed to inform Hannah  
Shore of the decision of this meeting respecting  
her, reports that she has attended to the appointment.

Committee to prepare a certificate for Sleg  
Howland and wife presented one which being  
satisfactory to the meeting the Clerk is to sign it  
on behalf thereof.

Transcripts of Epistles from the yearly meetings  
of New York and Indiana have been acceptably  
read at this time. L. C. Smith Clk—

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1839—

The representatives are for Providence Olive  
Wing and Rhoda Earle for Smithfield Mary  
H. Smith and Famine Huskel who are present.

Our Esteemed friend Anna M. Jenkins returned  
to the meeting the minute furnished her in the 4<sup>th</sup>  
mo<sup>th</sup> last and produced a returning one from  
Smithfield Quarterly meeting held at B. aton in  
the 8<sup>th</sup> mo expressing their satisfaction in her  
company and religious services which is acceptable  
to the meeting.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader opened  
before us a prospect which had for some length of  
time accompanied her mind to attend the approach-  
ing Quarterly meeting of Dover to be held at Sandwich  
and to visit the meetings of friends and appoint some  
meetings there within the limits of Salem Quarterly



191 Meeting Her concern received the solid consideration of this meeting and was united with and she left at liberty to proceed as truth may open the way and the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute. A report of the Boarding School Committee for the present year has been received with a Circular for the year 1835 appended thereto - also an epistle from the yearly meeting of Rhode Island to its subordinate meetings containing pertinent remarks and much good counsel all of which have been acceptably read at this time.

Men friends presented a Certificate from Swansea monthly meeting on behalf of Joseph Dudley which is accepted -  
L. C. Smith Clk

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield the 30<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1839 -

The representatives are for Providence Olive Wing and Lydia Congdon for Smithfield Rebecca Mitchell and Elizabeth Smith who are present except one.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the three usually answered from each preparative meeting and such selected for general answers as appeared most suitable and are to be sent to the Quarterly meeting by Lydia Congdon, Elizabeth Smith and Anna W. Jenkins whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report at next monthly meeting.

Providence preparative meeting informed that Eliza Rathbun was about to remove within the limits of Rathbun's Cove monthly meeting and requested a Certificate for herself and daughter Mary we appoint Olive Wing, Elizabeth Smith and Lydia C. Smith to unite with men friends in preparing a Certificate for the family if they find nothing to present.

We are informed through the same medium that Elizabeth Gordon late Rathbun has connected herself in marriage with one not in membership with us we appoint Elizabeth Congdon and Sarah Sarge to take



the necessary care in the case and report next month.

A Certificate was received from Rhode Island monthly meeting on behalf of Mary C. Bowen which is accepted and is as follows viz.

To Providence monthly meeting of friends,

Mary C. Bowen having removed to live within the limits of your meeting, we hereby certify on her behalf, that she is a member of ours. And we believe clear of marriage engagements among us.

With desires for her advancement in the truth we commend her to your Christian care.

On behalf of Rhode Island monthly meeting  
held 9<sup>th</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1839—

(David Buffum & Clerk  
Mary Williams)

Epistles from the yearly meetings of London, New York and Baltimore have been read at this time.

Lycia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held the 27<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo. 1839—

The representatives are for Providence Rhoda Carle and Judith Peckham for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Mary W. Smith who are present.

Committee in the case of Elizabeth Gordon inform they have paid attention to the subject but are not ready to make a full report.

A Certificate was received from Seanece monthly meeting on behalf of Asenath Buffington which is accepted and is as follows viz.

To Providence monthly meeting of women friends,  
Dear Friends,

(Asenath Buffington, having removed to live with her husband, within the limits of your meeting request our Certificate.



This may certify that she is a member of our society, of an orderly life, and diligent in the attendance of meetings; and has adjusted her temporal concerns to satisfaction. As such we recommend her to your Christian care, and are your friends. —

Signed on behalf of Swansea Monthly meeting of friends held at Gell-River 20<sup>th</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1839

Thomas Stifford } Assistant Clk.  
(Anna C. Chase) Clerk.

A Certificate was presented for Rowland Rathbun and family which being satisfactory to the meeting the Clerk is to sign it on behalf of thereof.

An epistle from the <sup>year</sup> ~~yearly~~ meeting of Philadelphia has been acceptably read at this time.

Sylvia C. Smith. Clk —

Providence Monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 25<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1839

The representatives are for Providence Olive Wing and Lydia Congdon for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Eunice Olcott, who are present.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Robson attended this meeting and produced a Certificate from Haverhill Hardscore - West monthly meeting in Great Britain endorsed by Lancaster Quarterly meeting expressive of their unity with her as a minister and in her present engagement, also one from the ~~yearly~~ meeting of ministers and elders held in London in the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1838. her company has been acceptable and her gospel labors strengthening and edifying. Her husband Thomas Robson also attended the meeting with a Certificate from the abovesaid monthly meeting expressive of their unity with him as an elder, his company has been acceptable and his exemplary deportment satisfactory to us.



Our esteemed friend Elizabeth Hader returned to the meeting the minute granted her in the 9<sup>th</sup> mo. and informed that she had been enabled to perform the visit to the peace of her own mind and presented a minute of Dover Quarterly Meeting held in the 13<sup>th</sup> mo expressive of their satisfaction in her company and religious services.

Transcripts of epistles from the Yearly Meetings of Ohio and Indiana have been acceptably read.

Committee in the case of Elizabeth Gordon inform they are not yet ready to make a full report.

Lydia C. Smith clk.

Providence monthly meeting for men friends held 25<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1840

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth Hader and Mary E. Buffington for Smithfield Goreau Jane and Lydia R. Foxborn who are present except two for the absence of one a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The queries with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> and 3<sup>d</sup> from each preparative meeting have been read and each selected a member to describe the state of the meeting and we forward them to the quarterly meeting by Eunice Metcalf, Lydia Congdon and Lydia C. Smith whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report at next monthly meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield preparative meeting that Sarah B. Hoar (late Haskel) has connected herself in marriage with one not in membership with friends we appoint Lydia Congdon and Mary B. Buffington to take charge of the subject and report at a future meeting.

Committee in the case of Elizabeth Gordon presented the following report which is accepted by the meeting and she accordingly disowned from



her right of membership in our society men friends uniting therein - Lydia C. Smith is appointed to inform her thereof.

A Certificate was received from Nantucket monthly meeting on behalf of Elizabeth Barker and one from the same monthly meeting on behalf of Eliza Barker which are accepted and are as follows viz.

To Providence, monthly meeting.

Dear Friends

Elizabeth Barker, having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, requests our certificate - this may certify on her behalf, that she is a member of this meeting and a minister in unity with us - of exemplary life and conversation - diligent in the attendance of meetings, and has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction, as far as appears - as such, we recommend them to your Christian care and oversight, and remain your friends. - Signed by direction of Nantucket, monthly meeting of friends held the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1839.

Peleg Mitchell. Clerks.  
Sarah Stubbs.

To Providence, monthly meeting.

Dear Friends

Eliza Barker - daughter of Elizabeth Barker, having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, requests our certificate - this may certify that she is a member of this meeting, and diligent in the attendance thereof of orderly life and conversation - has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction and is clear of marriage engagements amongst us - we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight, are your friends.

signed by direction of Nantucket, monthly meeting of friends held 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1839 -

Peleg Mitchell  
Sarah Stubbs) Clerks



Our Esteemed friend John Meader returned to the meeting the minute granted him in the 4<sup>th</sup> mo last and informed that he had been enabled to perform the prospect therein expressed to the satisfaction of his own mind - he also produced a returning minute from Dover Quarterly Meeting held in the 11<sup>th</sup> mo by which it appears that his company and religious services were acceptable to that meeting.

Other friends inform that they have come to the conclusion to disown Wm. Stetchell with which this meeting unites.

Lycia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of women friends held at Smithfield the 26<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1847.

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Saxe and Dorcas B. Hart. refs for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Abner Wheelock who are present, except me.

The representatives to the year to be holding inform they attended agreeably to appointment.

Committee in the case of Sarah S. Hoar inform they have given attention to the subject but are not ready to make report.

The friends appointed to inform Elizabeth Gordon of the decision of this meeting respecting her report the appointment has been attended to.

A Certificate was received from Swansea monthly meeting in behalf of Samuel B. Chase and Elizabeth B. his wife with their son John Jr. Chase which is accepted.

The London printed epistle of last year has been read at this time to our satisfaction.

Lycia C. Smith Clerk.



At Providence monthly meeting of women friends Feb  
the 25<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1840.

The representatives are for Providence Sarah Lark  
and Ohio Mary Smith and  
Wendell Buffington who are present.

Some matter in the case of Sarah B. Howe the  
following report which being accepted by the meeting  
she is with the concurrence of the men meeting dis-  
owns her her right of membership and Emma  
Hutchins is appointed to inform her thereof.

We have visited Sarah B. Howe on account of her  
outgoing in marriage, and find she is in the practice  
of attending another religious meeting with her hus-  
band, and expect to continue to do so, she received  
us kindly and said she was willing to leave it  
with friends to dispose of the case as they thought  
best. It being our judgment that further labor upon  
us will not be useful, therefore submit the case  
to the monthly meeting.

Providence Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1840  
Lydia Congdon.  
Mary B. Buffington.

An epistle from the yearly meeting of N. H. Carolina  
has been read at this time to our satisfaction.

A declaration of the views of the society of friends  
in relation to Church Government by the meeting  
for sufferings of New England yearly meeting compiled  
principally from the writings of George Fox and other  
ancient friends, has also been read to our satisfac-  
tion.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.



At Providence monthly meeting of women  
friends held at Smithfield 27th of 4th mo  
(18)40.

The representatives are for Providence  
Mary L. Anthony and Lucy Chase for  
Smithfield Eunice M. Staff and Deborah D. and  
are here present except two.

Answers to the queries have been received  
from each preparative meeting and a selection  
made therefrom for general answers which  
we forward to the Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth  
Chandos, Eunice M. Staff and Lydia C.  
Smith whom we appoint to attend said meeting  
and report at next monthly meeting.

The friend appointed to inform Sarah  
B. Moor of the decision of this meeting  
respecting her reports she has attended  
to the appointment.

Our friends inform  
they have come to the conclusion to disown  
Sara Cornebeck with which this meeting  
unites.

We are informed through the medium  
of Providence preparative that Sarah W.  
Simmons formerly has united herself  
in marriage with one not in membership  
with friends, we appoint Olive King and  
Elizabeth Chadon to take the necessary care  
in the case and report when the service is performed  
can. S. Chadon. We are informed through the same medium  
request that Mary S. Chadon requests the care of  
her friends over her daughter Mary S. Chadon  
daughter Lydia C. Smith, Sophia Chadon and Eunice  
M. Staff we appoint to take the subject into  
consideration and report at a future  
meeting.



Our friends inform they have made a minute of disavowment against Abel Adams this meeting unites with them therein, we also unite with them in disowning Colley H. Davis.

Lydia C. Smith and Lydia Conner are appointed to unite with a committee of men in preparing a certificate of removal to Buckingham monthly meeting. Tem. on behalf of Joseph H. Clark and Rachel W. Hardy himself and their children.  
Lydia C. Smith (Clark).

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held 27<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 4 P.M.

The representatives are for Providence Rhoda Clark and Mary R. Buffington for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf and Lydia R. Hoxbourn who are present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform they attended agreeably to appointment.

Committee in the case of Mary E. Eldridge's request inform they have paid attention to the subject but are not ready to make a full report.

Committee in the case of Sarah W. Parsons have also given us the same information.

A certificate was presented for Joseph H. Clark and family which being satisfactory to the meeting the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf thereof.

Providence preparative meeting informs that Sarah Crossington (late Eldridge) has sadly deviated from the discipline of the society as to connect herself in marriage with one not in fellowship with us. Elizabeth Congdon, Leahy Chase and Eunice Metcalf are appointed to take the subject under their care and report to a future meeting.



The time having expired for which the  
clerks were appointed Elizabeth Mearns  
Elizabeth Smith and Rhoda Carle were  
appointed to confer with some friends for  
these places and report their names to next  
monthly meeting.

Lysdia C. Smith Clerk—

At Providence monthly meeting of  
women friends held at Smithfield 24<sup>th</sup> of  
1840.

The representatives for Providence  
Abigail Mearns and Lysdia C. Smith  
for Smithfield, Dorcas Paine and Elizabeth  
Smith who are all present.

Committee to present names for Clerks  
propose Lysdia C. Smith for Clerk and  
Sarah W. Paine Assistant which being  
united with they are appointed for the  
ensuing year.

Committee in the case of May  
2. Chisridge request inform they are not yet  
ready to make a full report. And the same  
information was given by one of the Committee  
in the case of Sarah W. Paine.

Our beloved friend John P. Balderston  
attended this meeting and produced a Certificate  
from Baltimore monthly meeting of friends  
held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of the present month expressing  
of their unity with him as a minister, his com-  
pany and Gospel labors have been acceptable  
to us.

(of Sprak Armington)  
Committee in the case are not  
ready to report.

Our friends presented a Certificate  
directed to friends of Salem monthly meeting  
which being approved is signed on behalf of the meeting.



Smith preparative meeting, propose Dorcas Pine,  
Sarah C. Metcalf, Cornelia Metcalf and Elizabeth  
Smith for overseers of society and Pittman Haskell  
and Mary H. Smith, receivers of the fund the  
nomination being satisfactory to the meeting they  
are accordingly appointed for the ensuing year.

A communication was received from friends  
of Richmond monthly meeting informing that they  
have disowned unity with Lucy Metcalf for  
marrying contrary to discipline and requesting us to  
inform her thereof and our report to them at a con-  
-venient time Lydia C. Smith is appointed to give  
her this information.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held the 29<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1845.

The representatives are for  
Providence Sarah D. Lee and others. For  
Southfield Cornelia Metcalf and Elizabeth Buffum  
who are present.

The queries have been read in this  
meeting with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> and 3<sup>d</sup> from  
each Preparative meeting and a selection made  
for general answers which we forward to the  
Quarterly meeting by Elizabeth H. Haden, Anne  
et. Jenkins and Lydia R. Freeman whom we  
appoint to attend said meeting and report at  
next monthly meeting.

Committee in the case of  
Mary L. Blodgett presents a report the latter  
inspiration of which is a forthwith meeting.

Our Esteemed friend Elizabeth Haden  
the meeting that she had opportunities for a length  
of time that it would be her duty to attend the  
approaching Yearly Meeting of Ohio and hold  
some meetings with friends and others within its



Simmons also to attend the yearly meeting of  
Bathmore and appoint some meetings with  
friends and others within the limits. Thereafter  
a time of deliberation the concern was putted  
with what she left at liberty to pursue her prospect  
as best wisdom may direct. A certificate was  
prepared and signed with which the Clerk  
is directed to sign on behalf of the meeting.

Ann writes within your Sarah H. Simmons as  
presenter a report which is referred over to  
for further consideration.

A certificate was received from Swansea  
monthly meeting on behalf of Hester Robinson  
which is accepted and is as follows viz.

To the Friends Monthly meeting of Bathmore  
Dear Friends,

Hester Robinson Having removed  
to reside within the limits of your meeting  
requests our certificate. This may certify that  
she is a member of our Society; and is diligent  
attender of meeting when called on, her temporal  
concerns are adjusted to satisfaction and is  
free of marriage engagements. We much re-  
commended her to your Christian care, and  
are your friends.

Signatures are on behalf of Swansea  
monthly meeting Hester Robinson 25<sup>th</sup> Nov  
25<sup>th</sup> 1874.

Thomas Walker J. Clarke  
Thomas C. Chase J. Clarke

The friends appointed last month to inform  
Hester Robinson of the decision of Richmond  
monthly meeting respecting her inform she  
has attended to the appointment, and the  
Clerk is directed to give this information  
to Richmond monthly meeting.

By order of the Monthly Meeting  
Thomas C. Chase J. Clarke



At Providence monthly meeting of friends held at  
Smithfield the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1847.

The reports were read for  
Providence Clara Wing and Sarah Thompson for  
Smithfield James Holmes and Deborah Chubb  
who are present.

The friends appointed to attend the Society of  
meeting before they attended were able to appoint.

The report of the committee in the case of Mary  
L. Wing being considered in the meeting and  
advised in the case of the same being in the  
child's admission a member of our society Lydia L.  
Smith and Sarah T. Wing are appointed to inform her  
of this decision.

The case of Sarah L. Simmons being again  
before the meeting is referred on to the next  
proceeding.

Then friends inform they have come to  
the conclusion to disown Edward Chubb with  
which this meeting unite.

Some in the case of Sarah Thompson  
are not yet ready to report.

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence friends that they propose  
Clara Wing being baptised with Sarah L. for  
Cousins of some one at the G. A. meeting and  
Lydia Chubb for one of the poor the propo-  
sition has been made with which they are appointed  
for the coming year.

A certificate was presented which being satis-  
fying the Committee is taken up of  
the meeting.

The report of the Providence School  
Committee has been read at this time to our  
satisfaction.

Lydia L. Smith Secy.



Elizabeth Congdon







We are informed through the medium of Providence  
monthly meeting that one of the members  
of this meeting has united herself in marriage as  
a member of another society.

She will be in Providence at the 1st of Sept  
take an opportunity with her on the subject  
and report at a future meeting.

We are informed through the same medium  
that Sarah Truitt proposed publication in  
the Providence monthly meeting.

It was moved that the committee on  
public appearances be authorized to  
consider the matter.

The committee on public appearances  
will report next month.

A minute of the select meeting was taken  
by the men in which it was proposed to the  
consideration of the next meeting to acknowl-  
edge the gift and public appearances in the  
meeting of Samuel and Sarah Truitt. The subject  
was also considered in the meeting on the  
1st of Sept. The committee on public appearances  
having come to the conclusion to refer it until  
next month we unite in the conclusion.

Men friends presented a certificate from  
Greenwich monthly meeting on behalf of  
John L. Clark which is accepted.

They also gave information that they had  
come to the conclusion to disown Adam  
Anthony with which this meeting unites.

A Certificate was received from Rhode-Island  
monthly meeting on behalf of Susan Anthony  
which is accepted and is as follows. viz.

To Providence monthly of Friends  
Dear friends,

Susan Anthony having removed within



the limits of your meeting. We may inform she is a member of our religious society; nothing appears but her outward affairs are settled to satisfaction; commending her to your Christian care we are your friends.

Signed on behalf of our mo meeting of friends held at Newport 7<sup>th</sup> mo 30<sup>th</sup> 1840

Lavina Buffum Clk.  
Mary Williams Clk.

Our Esteemed friend John Meader returned to this meeting the minute granted him last mo. to attend Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, and gave information that he attended said meeting to the comfort of his own mind and produced a minute from said meeting held the 1<sup>st</sup> of the present month expressive of their satisfaction in his company and religious services.

Lydia C. Smith Clk.

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held the 25<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1840—

The representatives for Providence are Mary G. Eldridge and Eli Wing for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Abner Buffington who are present.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report attendance except one who gave a satisfactory reason for nonattendance.

Committee in the case of Eunice G. Robins presented the following report which accepted and she disavowed as a member of our society men friends uniting in this conclusion Lydia Congdon is appointed to inform her thereof.

To Providence monthly meeting  
Agreeably to appointment we have had an in-



-to view with Eunice G. Robin, and find that  
she has united herself with another society -  
she treated us respectfully, but we do not think  
further care will be necessary -

which we submit to the monthly monthly

Providence 11 mo 25 1840

Elizabeth Smith  
Asenath Buffington

Our beloved friend John Warren attended  
this meeting with a certificate from friends of  
unity monthly meeting, State of Maine, endorsed  
by Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting expressive  
of their unity with him as a minister and in  
his present engagement his company has been  
acceptable and his labors in the Gospel have  
been instructive and edifying.

We have also had the company of Samuel  
Taylor junr with a certificate from Sidney mo:  
Meeting in the same state held the 20<sup>th</sup> of  
9<sup>th</sup> mo 1840 endorsed by Vassalborough  
Quarterly Meeting held the 12<sup>th</sup> in<sup>st</sup> expressive  
of their unity with him as a minister and  
with his present concern his religious services  
have been satisfactory to us.

Our friends informed they were united in  
proposing to the Quarterly Meeting to ac know-  
ledge the gift and public appearance in the  
ministry of Samuel B. Toby with which this  
meeting concurs.

Our beloved friend Anna St. Jenkins is a  
minister in unity & present in this meeting a prospect  
which had for some time past occupied her mind  
and increasingly so of late, to attend the approach-  
ing Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich to be held  
at New Bedford the subject received the serious  
consideration of the meeting and was fully



united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct. The clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

The friends appointed to take the necessary care in the case of Sarah Carle report that they find nothing to hinder her proceeding in marriage with Daniel Gould they are accordingly left at liberty to proceed agreeably to established order of the society - Hannah G. Robinson and Mary R. Buffington are appointed to attend the consummation of their marriage and report <sup>at</sup> next monthly meeting.

The friend appointed to inform Sarah W. Simmons of the decision of this meeting respecting her reports she has attended to the appointment.

Lydia C. Smith Clerk

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends held at Smithfield 30<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1840.

The representatives are for Providence Lydia C. Congdon and Thebe Peckham for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Eunice Metcalf who are present.

The friend appointed to inform Eunice Robins of her disownment reports she has attended to the appointment.

The Committee appointed to attend the marriage of Daniel Gould and Sarah Carle report they attended said marriage and believe it was conducted in the manner required by discipline.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Mehitable Greene, a minor daughter of Wm. Greene had gone to reside within the limits of Uxbridge monthly meeting Lydia C. Smith and Lydia Congdon are appointed to prepare a certificate on her behalf and present to our next monthly meeting.



Our Esteemed friend Elizabeth Meader returned at this time the Certificate granted her in the 7<sup>th</sup> mo. and informed that she had been favored to accomplish the prospect therein expressed to the peace and relief of her own mind and produced satisfactory testimonials from friends of Baltimore Yearly meeting held in the 10<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> from the meeting of ministers and elders held in the 9<sup>th</sup> mo and from the monthly meeting of Middleton in the 10<sup>th</sup> and of Short Creek in 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1840.

Our Esteemed friend Anna A. Jenkins returned the minute granted her last month to attend Sandwich Quarterly meeting and informed that she attended said meeting to the satisfaction of her own mind and produced a returning minute expressive of the satisfaction of that meeting in her company and religious services.

A printed epistle from the yearly meeting of London held in the 5<sup>th</sup> mo last containing much salutary counsel has been read at this time

Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

A Providence monthly meeting of women friends held the 24<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo. 1841.

The representatives are for Providence Waldate A. Meader and Estey R. Buffington for Smithsided Mary W. Smith and Abner Haskell who are present. Answers to the three queries usually answered, have been received from each preparative meeting and such selected as were believed to represent the state of the meeting and are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Olive Wing, Mary W. Smith and Mary J. Chatham whom we appoint to attend said meeting and report at a future meeting.

A Certificate was presented on behalf of Whetabel Green which being satisfactory the Clerk is directed to sign it and forward to Hybridge monthly meeting.



Providence preparative meeting informed that  
Bethiah B. Otis had gone to reside within the limits  
of New York monthly meeting and proposed forwarding  
a certificate on her behalf to said meeting we appoint  
Lydia Congdon and Sarah Soble to prepare one and  
present to our next monthly meeting if they find  
nothing to prevent.

Our friends inform they have come to  
the conclusion to disown Huldah Bunker with which  
this meeting unites.

A certificate was received from  
Dartmouth monthly meeting on behalf of Judith  
Stevens wife of Benjamin Stevens which is accepted and  
is as follows viz.

To Providence Monthly meeting of women friends  
Dear Friends,

Judith G. Stevens having removed to live  
with her husband within the limits of your meeting  
requests our certificate. We hereby certify that she  
is a member and a frequent attendee of our meetings  
and has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction as far  
as appears. As such we recommend her to your  
Christian care and oversight and are your friends.

Signed in and on behalf of a monthly meeting of  
friends held at Westport 12<sup>th</sup> mo 27<sup>th</sup> 1840

Jessie - H. (secretary)  
Barbary Gifford (clerk)

Agnes C. Smith (treasurer)

At Providence a monthly meeting of women friends  
held at Smithfield the 24<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1841.

The representatives are for Providence Lydia  
Congdon and Mary H. Buffington for Smithfield  
Sarah C. Hilditch and Greenath Buffington who are  
present.

The representatives to the quarterly  
meeting attended said meeting a great disappointment.



A Certificate was presented on behalf of  
Providence B. C. S. which being satisfactory the  
Clerk is to sign it on behalf of the meeting and  
and forward it as directed.

A Certificate was received on behalf of Susan  
M. Shove which is accepted and is as follows viz.

Providence monthly meeting of friends.  
Dear Friends,

Susan M. Shove wife of Robert Shove  
having applied for a removal certificate addressed to  
your meeting. We hereby certify on her behalf that she  
is a member of our monthly meeting, and while with  
us a frequent attendant of our religious meetings.

With desires for her establishment in the truth we  
commend her to your Christian care.

From Rhode Island monthly meeting of  
friends held 1<sup>st</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1841.

David Buffum } Clerks  
Mary Williams }

Providence preparative meeting informs that Sarah C.  
Glover has gone to reside within the limits of Greenwich  
monthly meeting and requests our certificate we appoint  
Lydia C. Smith and Elizabeth Keeler to prepare one  
and present to our next monthly meeting - We are  
informed through the same medium that Elizabeth  
Carle requests a certificate to the same meeting we  
appoint Mary R. Buffington and Hannah C. Robinson  
to prepare one and present as aforesaid.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs Deborah H.  
Jenkins is desirous of being admitted a member of  
of our society we appoint Anna A. Jenkins, Eunice  
Metcalf and Olive Wing to visit her on account of  
her request and report at a future meeting.

Information was given to us at this time  
that Elizabeth H. Cornell a member of this meeting  
had for time moved within the limits of Smithfield.



monthly meeting and it was thought best to send a certificate  
in her behalf, viz meeting we appoint Elizabeth Corgan  
and Hannah Robinson to prepare one and present the same  
next monthly meeting.

Leydia C. Smith Clerk.

At Providence, monthly meeting of women friends held  
the 24<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1841.

The representatives are for Providence  
Sarah H. Tappan and Sarah Hays for Smithfield (Miss  
H. H. and Anna S. Dennis who are present).

Certificates were presented on behalf of Sarah H. Tappan  
and Elizabeth Corgan which being satisfactory the Clerk is  
to sign and forward to Greenwich monthly meeting.

(Also one for Elizabeth Corgan which is satisfactory and is  
to be signed and forwarded to Smithfield monthly meeting.

Our beloved friend Maria A. Jenkins in a deeply religious  
spirit before this meeting expressed a concern that she had, for many years,  
felt to make use in the use of the Gospel, to some great  
great Spirit in she also expressed her belief that the time  
had fully come for her to inform friends that for some time  
past she had apprehended it would be required of her to attend  
the yearly meeting of friends in London and some meetings  
in Ireland and if it should appear for it to appoint some  
meetings among friends and others. The concern received  
the solid consideration of the meeting and it resulted in her  
expressing much unity and sympathy with her in this  
important engagement. Elizabeth H. Hays and  
and Chas. Wing are appointed to unite with a committee of  
women friends in preparing a certificate agreeable to the  
prospect herein expressed.

A certificate was received on behalf of Elizabeth H. Hays  
which is as follows viz.

To Providence, monthly meeting of Friends.

Whereas Elizabeth H. Hays having removed residence  
with her husband, within the limits of your meeting  
requests our certificate, this may certify that she is a



member of our meeting, of an orderly life and  
moderation, and a diligent attendee of meetings  
what with ps. as such we commend her to your  
Christian care and oversight.

Signed in and on behalf of Sabroth meeting  
of friends held at Pittsfield 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1841.

Daniel B. Deane

Wm. C. Deane

Wick for the day.

The committee appointed to visit Sister H. Pankes  
on account of her request report they have not been  
unmindful of the appointment but are not ready  
to report.

Then friends inform they have come to the  
conclusion to disown from membership Thomas  
C. Henson with which this meeting unites.

Lydian B. Smith Clerk

At Providence monthly meeting of women friends  
held 29<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 1841.

The representatives are for Providence Deborah  
Stevens and Eliza Barker for Smithfield Elizabeth  
Chase and Sarah H. Smith who are present.

The queries have been read and answers from  
each preparative meeting have which we have  
selected such as were thought to represent the  
state of our meeting and are to be forwarded to the  
quarterly meeting by Lydia B. Smith, Eliza Wing and  
Elizabeth Smith. Those we appoint to attend said meeting  
and report at our next monthly meeting.

Committee in the case of Deborah H. Jones have not  
yet attended to the appointment.

A complaint was received from a sister at monthly  
meeting on behalf of a sister from a sister in Charter  
which is accepted and is as follows viz.



Providence monthly meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends,

Caroline Greene, wife of William Greene, having removed with her son Charles, to reside within the limits of your meeting; this may induce on their behalf, that they are members of this meeting and she frequent in the attendance thereof, and so far as appears has settled her outward affairs to satisfaction. we therefore recommend them to your Christian love and oversight and remain your friends.

Signed in behalf of Quaker Monthly Meeting held  
25<sup>th</sup> of 5 mo 1841.

Peg Mitchell  
Sarah Stubbs Clerk.

Other friends presented a communication from Edward Store in which he expressed a desire that we would all pay by his name gospel for marrying contrary to our discipline we unite with them in granting his request.

Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for our friend Anna C. Perkins presented one which being satisfactory to the meeting was signed by the Clerk and other Friends.  
Lydia C. Smith Clerk.

Providence monthly meeting of women friends held  
26<sup>th</sup> of 5 mo 1841.

The representatives are for Providence Huldah C. Thayer and Elizabeth Conden for Smithfield Miss Paine and Deborah Buffington who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting attended agreeably to appointment.

Comrade in the case of G. H. Lusk presented the following report which is accepted and she is with the concurrence of men friends admitted a member of our society and Mary W. Smith is appointed to inform her thereof.

Providence monthly meeting

agreed to our appointment we have visited & about 11.



forbes on account of her application to become a member  
of our society

The opportunity we had with her was, satisfactory  
to us, we believe her desires were sincere in making the  
request, and it is our apprehension that it may be safe to  
to grant it, — which we leave to the judgment of the  
monthly meeting —

Am. Wm.  
Linnia Metcalf  
Anna P. Jenkins

A certificate was received on behalf of Elizabeth F.  
Boren which is accepted and is as follows viz.

Elizabeth F. Boren  
2nd Nov 1841

Elizabeth F. Boren, wife of David  
Boren, having removed within the limits of your  
meeting, requests our certificate, this may inform  
that she is a member of our society, and a regular  
attendant of meetings, as such we recommend her  
to your Christian care, and are your friends.

Signed in and by direction of Providence monthly  
Meeting held in Fall River 4<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Thomas Wilbur  
Linnia E. Chase

Our friends inform they have come to the conclusion  
to disown Welcome Metcalf with which this meeting  
unites.

Committee Providence preparative meeting informs that  
appointed (Shepherd) Remington forwarded to that meeting a  
to visit. Her written request to become a member of our society  
At Remington whereupon we appoint Abnerath Buffington, Huldre  
S. Hader and John Wray to take the subject under  
their care and report when the service is performed,  
Lydia C. Smith Clerk



At Providence monthly meeting of women friends at  
Smithfield the 23<sup>d</sup> of June 1841

The representatives are for Providence Elizabeth  
Barker and Eliza Wilkinson for Smithfield Patience  
Haskell and Elizabeth Chase who are present.

The friend appointed to inform Deborah G. Jenkins  
of the decision of the meeting respecting her reports she has  
attended to the appointment.

Our beloved friend Huldah Hoag attended this meeting  
with a certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting held the  
23<sup>d</sup> of June 1841 endorsing of her labors in the meeting  
held at Smithfield expressive of their satisfaction with  
a minister also with her present religious engagement her  
company and religious services have been acceptable to us.  
According to her with relation to her opinion on the  
subject of the revised hymn they have said nothing  
to the subject but were not ready to make a full  
report.

Our beloved friend Richard H. Thomas attended  
this meeting with a certificate from Sandwich  
monthly meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1841 his  
company and religious labors have been acceptable to  
us.

Other friends presented a certificate directed to  
Sandwich monthly meeting in /Chapson behalf of  
Joseph Gundry which was satisfactory and the Clerk  
is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

The time having expired for which the Clerk were  
appointed Anna A. Perkins and Elizabeth Head  
are appointed to confer with some friends for a Clerk and  
assistant and bring their names forward at our next  
monthly meeting. Lydia C. Smith. Clerk—



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 28th of 9th mo 1844. - The representatives for  
Providence are Sarah Child and Sarah F. Tobey - for  
Smithfield Mary W. Smith & Aseneth Buffington  
all present.

Appointment The friends appointed last month on the subject of  
of Clerks Clerks, propose Sarah F. Tobey for Clerk & Elneline  
Aldrich assistant - which being united with by  
the meeting they are appointed to that service  
for the ensuing year.

The Quin's have been read with answers  
from each of our preparative meetings to the 1st 2nd  
& 10th and a selection made therefrom which we  
forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at  
Portsmouth, by our friends Lydia Congdon  
Anna G. Dennis and Eunice Metcalf whom we  
appoint our representatives to attend said Meeting

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins  
a minister in unity with us, informed this  
meeting that she had, for some time past had  
a prospect of attending the approaching Quarterly  
Meeting of Salem next to be held at Lynn - and  
of visiting some meetings as way may open for it  
within the limits of Sandwich and Smithfield  
Quarterly Meetings - her prospect as thus  
spread before us claimed our solid consideration  
and was fully united with, and she encouraged  
to pursue it as truth may direct - and the  
Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of  
this minute.

Smithfield Preparative Meeting proposes  
Appointment Sarah Metcalf Eunice Metcalf and Elizabeth Smith  
of Overseers for for overseers of Society which is approved by this  
Smithfield meeting and they are appointed to that service  
for the year ensuing. The same meeting proposes  
Patience Haskell and Mary W. Smith for overseers  
of the poor with which we unite.



The following certificate from Woburn Monthly Meeting of Friends was read and accepted viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

As Mary E. Shocum has removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, with her husband Jonathan L. Shocum, this is to certify on her behalf, that she is a member of this meeting, of orderly life and conversation and frequent in attendance on meetings; as such we recommend her to your Christian care and regard

Signed by direction of Woburn Monthly Meeting held at Leicester 5th mo 23<sup>rd</sup> 1841

By John Milton Earle. Clerk for the day  
Sarah H. Earle Clerk.

A certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Jonathan L. Shocum has been read and accepted -

A removal certificate addressed to Frankfort Monthly Meeting of Friends in Pennsylvania, on behalf of Philip Earle was read and approved in this meeting, and the clerk directed to sign the same on its behalf.

Sarah F. Tobey. Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1841. The representatives for Providence are Olive Wing and Deborah Stephens, for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and Eunice Metcalf present except one.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended except one who was prevented by indisposition

The Committee under appointment to visit Alex. A. Remington inform that they are not ready to report.

Providence preparative meeting proposes the reappointment of Olive Wing, Lydia Congdon & Sarah Earle



as overseers of Society, and Mary G. Anthony and Lydia Congdon for overseers of the poor, which being approved by this meeting they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year

We are informed through the medium of the complaint of Smithfield preparative meeting that Sarah the cousin Lane Harris has united herself in membership respecting with the Baptist Society - and we appoint Dorcas Paine Sarah Lane Harris and Hannah C. Robinson to visit her and report at our next monthly meeting

A certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting was read accepted, and is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting  
Esteemed Friends

Certificate for Lydia Buffum has removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, and requests our certificate. This we certify on her behalf, that she is a member of our society and nothing appears but that her temporal concerns are adjusted, and clear of marriage engagements with us.

Such we recommend her to your Christian care

Signed on behalf of Swansea Monthly Meeting held 4th Mo 26th 1841

Thomas Wilbur Clerk

Laura L. Chace Clerk for the

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, and Manuscripts of epistles from Baltimore and Philadelphia Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read at this time

Sarah G. Tobey - Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Providence the 29th of 4th mo 1841.

The representatives for Providence are Mary G. Congdon & Sarah T. T. - for Smithfield Dorcas Paine & Eunice McCall - all present.

The friends under appointment to visit Abey



A Remington on the subject of her request, presented a report, which was read, and accepted, and is as follows - viz.

To Providence Mo Meeting of Women Friends.

The Committee in the case of Hedy A Remington report, that they have had several satisfactory opportunities with her, she appears in good measure convinced of the truth as professed by Friends and it is our judgment that it would be best to grant her request.

Providence 9th mo 29th 1841.

Oliver Wing  
Asenath Buffington  
Huldah A. Meader

She is received into membership with us, some friends uniting therein, and Huldah A. Meader is appointed to inform her of the conclusion of this meeting.

The Committee appointed last mo. to visit Sarah Jane Harris on account of her uniting herself in membership with another society, presented a report which was accepted and is as follows - viz -

To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Providence

At a regular appointment we have visited Sarah Jane Harris and she appeared to be satisfied with the step she had taken in regard to uniting herself with the Baptist Society, and we think farther labour would be unnecessary.

Dorcas Paine

Pawtucket 9th mo 24th 1841

Hannah C. Robinson

and she is accordingly disowned from membership with us some friends uniting therein and Asenath Buffington is appointed to inform her of the decisions of this meeting.

Our friends inform that they have concluded to disown Moses B. Lockwood - with which this meeting unites - they also inform that they have disowned Samson Allen with which we likewise unite.

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tober informed

this meeting that he had a prospect of attending  
the approaching quarterly meeting of Salem next to  
be held at Ware and it was thought proper for it of appointing  
a meeting in that neighbourhood -  
this concern of our friend was united with and the  
Clerk was directed to sign on our behalf a certificate  
prepared for him by our friends

Transcripts of Epistles from North Carolina  
Virginia, & Ohio, have been read at this time

Sarah S. Tobey-Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield 24<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1841.

The representatives for Providence are  
Sarah Henson & Lydia Congdon, for Smithfield  
Anna M. Dennis & Abby Paine - all present

The Epistles have been read with answers  
to the 2<sup>d</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative  
meetings, from which we have selected such as we  
think descriptive of the present state of our  
meeting and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting  
by our friends Dorcas Paine Huldah A. Meader &  
Sarah S. Tobey whom we appoint our representatives

The friend appointed last month  
to inform Sarah Lane Harris of the decisions of  
this meeting, reports that she has attended to the  
appointment

We are informed through the mediation of  
Request of Providence <sup>Preparative</sup> Monthly Meeting that Hannah Lawrence  
Hannah Lawrence has requested to become a member of our society  
and we appoint Lydia C. Smith & Elizabeth Thayer  
& Abigail Wing to visit her and report at a future  
meeting their judgment in relation to the grounds  
of her request.

Our beloved friend John Meader appeared  
before this meeting a concern that had for some



years impressed his mind, and increasingly so of late, to pay a visit in the love of the gospel, to the tribes of Indians removed west of the Mississippi, and to hold religious meetings amongst them — To visit all the Friends settled in Iowa territory — to attend the Yearly Meeting of Indiana and a part of the Quarterly Meetings constituting it, and to visit some other meetings in that, and some in Ohio Yearly Meeting — and to appoint meetings in the course of his journey as his mind may be drawn to the service and way open for — This concern of our friend claimed our deliberate consideration much unity and sympathy were expressed, and the Clerk was directed to sign on our behalf a certificate prepared for him by mens Meeting.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader a Minister's minute, in unity with us informed this Meeting that she had a prospect of attending the approaching Yearly Meeting of Pasifield & Vassalboro, by appointment of the Yearly Meeting — and it was shown open for it & visiting a few meetings within their limits.

This concern of our friend received our deliberate consideration and was fully united with and she left at liberty to move therein as truth may open the way.

Our friend Samuel Boyd Tobey returned at this time the minute granted him last month with a minute from Salem Lunatic Asylum held at Ware the 1st of 10<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1841, expressing that his company and services had been acceptable to them.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield Preparative Meeting that Lydia A. Harris late Wilkinson, has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, and we appoint Elizabeth Smith, Dorcas Paine & Eunice Betts to visit her on the account & report at a future meeting.

We have united with men friends in accepting a removal certificate from Francis Moore on behalf of Peter Lunt.

Sarah G. Foley Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 24th of 11th month 1841.

The representatives are for Providence Deborah  
Stephens & Secretaria Chace - for Smithfield  
Elizabeth Smith & Dorcas Mowry all present

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee under appointment  
to visit Hannah Lawrence presented a report  
which is accepted and is as follows - viz -

To Providence Mo. Meeting of Friends

We have visited Hannah Lawrence and conferred  
with her on the subject of her request to become a  
received into membership of our society; The visit was satisfactory.  
membership She appears to be convinced of the principles  
professed by friends, and desirous of living conso-  
-mately to them. We believe the request was  
made under a sense of religious duty and are  
united in judgment that it may be safe to grant  
it, which we submit to the decision of the Meeting.

Lydia C. Smith

Oliver Wing

Elizabeth Meader

and she is received into membership with us  
our friends uniting therein & Lydia C. Smith is  
appointed to inform her of the conclusion of the Meeting

The Committee in case of Lydia A. Harris  
inform that they have given attention to the subject  
but are not ready to make a full report.

A certificate from Greenock Mo. Meeting  
Certificate on behalf of Lydia & Phebe Coffin has been received  
of Lydia and accepted and is as follows - viz -  
Phebe Coffin

To Providence Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends

Lydia and Phebe Coffin having  
removed to reside within the limits of your  
Meeting request, our Certificate; this is therefore to



certify on their behalf, that they are members of  
our religious society, in good degree exemplary in  
life and conversation and diligent in the attendance  
of meetings, and upon inquiry their outward affairs  
appear to be settled satisfactorily, and are clear of  
marriages engagements.

We commend them to your Christian care and  
are your friends

Signed by direction of Greenwich Monthly Meeting  
held

William Reynolds - Clerk  
Sara Howland - Assist Clerk

We have united with men friends in accepting a re-  
moval certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting on  
behalf of Paul Coffin and daughters Sarah & Elizabeth  
minors - also one on behalf of William B. Coffin.

The friend appointed to inform Mary  
A. Hemington of the conclusion of this meeting  
respecting her, reports that she has attended to the  
appointment

We have united with men friends in  
accepting a removal certificate from Greenwich  
Monthly Meeting on behalf of Waterman Chase  
and family - viz. his wife Elizabeth A. and infant  
son George Anthony.

Sarah G. Fobes - Clerk

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Providence Mo. Meeting of Women Friends held  
29th of 12th mo 1841

The representatives are for Providence Lydia Congdon  
& Mary R. Buffington - for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf  
& Abnerath Buffington - who are present except one - who  
was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The friend appointed to inform  
Hannah Lawrence of the decision of this meeting - reports  
that she has attended to her appointment

The Committee under appointment to visit Lydia A. Harris presented a report with a communication from her which the meeting not feeling prepared to act upon the case is deferred under the care of the same Committee for one month

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mead E. Meader returned at this time the minutes granted her in returned in 10th mo last with the information that she had minute been favoured to accomplish the service as therein expressed to the relief and peace of her own mind - She presented a minute from Fairfield Quarterly Meeting held 11th mo 10th & one from Passaboro Quarterly Meeting held 11th mo 12th expressing that she acceptably attended those meetings

We have received a certificate from New York Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd of 11th mo 1841 on behalf of Elizabeth A. Case which has been read accepted, and is as follows. viz -

To the Monthly Meeting of Providence Rhode Island - Dear Friends

Elizabeth A. Case, wife of James K. Case, having removed with her husband to reside for Elizabeth within the limits of your meeting, requests our certificate. We hereby inform that she is a member of our religious Society, and recommend her to your attention and regard, and remain your friends.

Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly Meeting of New York held 3rd of 11th mo 1841.

Wm. J. Mott

Correspondent

William Birdsall

Elizabeth G. Willis

Clerks

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 26<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1842.

The representatives for Providence are Mary S. Anthony  
& Hannah C. Robinson. for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf  
and Mary W. Smith - present except one, for whom absence  
a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>d</sup> and  
10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings and general  
answers selected therefrom which with an account to  
the Quarterly Meeting we forward by our friends Elizabeth  
Smith Lydia C. Smith & Anna A. Jenkins, whom we  
appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins  
returned at this time the minute granted her in 7<sup>th</sup>  
A. Jenkins Mo<sup>th</sup> last - with the information that she had been favoured  
to accomplish all the service as therein expressed to the  
minute entire peace of her own mind - which was satisfactory  
to the meeting. - She presented a minute from Salem  
Quarterly Meeting held at Ware the 21<sup>st</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> last one from  
Sandwich Mo. Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> - from Sandwich P. Meeting  
held 10<sup>th</sup> Mo 7<sup>th</sup> from Pembroke Monthly Meeting held 25<sup>th</sup>  
of 11<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> and from Smithfield Monthly Meeting held the  
30<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 1841 - expressing that her company and gospel  
labours were acceptable to them.

The report of the Committee in the  
case of Lydia A. Harris with the communication from her  
has been again read - and after considering the subject we  
have concluded to accept the report which is as follows -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
Dear Friends

We have agreeably to appointment visited  
Lydia A. Harris (late Wilkinson), she appeared tender, &  
sensible that she had deviated from the rules of our discipline,  
and wished friends to pass by her offence, and retain her a  
member of our Society, all which we submit to the Month-  
ly Meeting.

Providence 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 20<sup>th</sup> 1841

Dorcas Paine

Elizabeth Smith

Eunice Metcalf

and she is disowned from membership with  
us, men friends uniting therein -- and Lydia L  
Smith is appointed to inform her of this decision.  
A minute for our friend Wm  
Douglas from Durham Monthly Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup>  
mo<sup>th</sup> 1841, has been read, he is in attendance of this  
Meeting

We are informed through the medium of Smith's  
preparative Meeting that Catharine J Harris has  
unitied herself in membership with another Society, and  
we appoint Huldah A. Meader, Lydia L Smith & Sarah  
F. Tobey to visit her on the account and report to a  
future Meeting

Sarah F. Tobey C. Lock

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1842.

The representatives are for Providence Lydia Conger  
and Phoebe G. Beckham - for Smithfield Deborah Jenks  
& Asenath Buffinton - all present

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that  
they attended except one - for whose non attendance a  
satisfactory reason was given.

The friend appointed last mo<sup>th</sup> to inform  
Lydia A. Harris of the decision of this Meeting  
respecting her, has attended to the appointment.

The Committee under appointment to  
visit Catharine J Harris, have presented a report  
which is accepted and is as follows - viz -

To Providence Mo Meeting of Friends  
Ora Friends

We have agreeably to appointment  
visited Catharine J Harris - She treated us respect-  
fully, and informed us that she had joined the  
Episcopal Society from motives of duty, that she had  
not been hasty in so doing - but had considered the  
subject for sometime - and was entirely satisfied



with the step she had taken. We do not think that further care in the case would be useful - but submit it to the (mo) Meeting

Lydia C Smith  
Sarah F. Tobey

Catherine Providence 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1842

Harris and she is accordingly disowned from membership with  
disowned as men friends concurring therein & Elizabeth Smith is  
appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Providence Preparative Meeting that Mary C Bowen has for some time past neglected the attendance of our meetings and attended those of another religious society - and we appoint Hannah C Robinson and Lydia C Smith to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

Our beloved friend Anna A.

Jenkins presented to this meeting a minute from Wybridge Mo. Meeting of Friends held 1<sup>st</sup> mo 2<sup>nd</sup> 1842 - expressing that her company and gospel labours were acceptable and encouraging to them.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence the 30<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1842.

The representatives from the Preparative Meeting are for Providence Deborah Stephens and Penelope Brown for Smithfield Asenath Buffington and Eunice Melcott who are present

The friend appointed last mo<sup>th</sup> to inform Catherine I Harris of the decision of this meeting has attended to her appointment.

The Committee under appointment to visit Mary C Bowen presented the following report viz

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

We have had an opportunity with Mary C Bowen and conversed with her on the subject of nonattendance of our meetings - she treated us with respect and projected a regard for Friends as a society, but said she did not

agree with them in principle, and did not expect to attend their meetings more than heretofore, and manifested a choice that a minute of disownment should be made against her. We do not think further labor in the case necessary, but submit it to the decision of the meeting.

Lydia C Smith

Providence 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1842

Hannah C Robinson

Mary C. This report being accepted by the meeting she is accordingly  
Dover. with the concurrence of men friends disowned from  
disowned membership with us - and Sarah G. Goby is appointed to inform her of this decision

The London printed epistle has been acceptably read at this time

Sarah G. Goby, Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield 24<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1842

The representatives from the preparative meetings, are for Providence Elizabeth Congdon and Hannah C Robinson - for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith and Dorcas Paine who are present.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto from each of our preparative meetings - from which we have selected general answers and forwarded them to the Quarterly Meeting by carrier Melrose, Elizabeth Mader and Lydia C Smith whom we appoint our representatives to said Meeting

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mader a Minister in unity with us, appeared before this meeting a minute or concern she had felt for a considerable time to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting to be held in New York. The subject received our deliberate consideration and was fully united with and she left at liberty to prosecute therein as truth may direct, and the Clerk is directed to



to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

We are informed that Phebe Robinson requests a removal certificate to Swansea Mo. Meeting - and we appoint Lydia C. Smith & Lydia Congdon to prepare one and present to our next Mo. Meeting if they find nothing to prevent.

Oliver Arnold, a member of this meeting being about to visit her children within the limits of Middleton Monthly Meeting, Ohio and requesting a few lines to said meeting. The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Lydia C. Smith - Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence the 25<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1842.

The representatives for Providence are Lydia Congdon & Huldah A. Meader for Smithfield & Anne Haskell & Asenath Buffinton - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Robinson's certificate The Committee under appointment to prepare a certificate for Phebe Robinson - presented one which was read - approved and signed in both meetings.

The friend appointed to inform Mary C. Bowen of the decision of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto.

This meeting is informed that Abner Bowen has removed within the limits of Farmington Monthly Meeting and requests our certificate - we appoint Lydia C. Smith & Elizabeth Congdon to prepare one and present to our next Mo. Meeting if they find nothing to prevent.

A transcript of an epistle from New York Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 20<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1842.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Hony  
& Deborah Stephens - for Smithfield Elizabeth H.  
Paine & Deborah Arnold - who are present.

The clerk being absent Lydia C. Smith is appointed for the day.

Henry Bowen's certificate was presented at this time for Henry Bowen which was read and approved by the meeting and the clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader returned to this meeting the minute granted her in 4<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> last to attend the Yearly Meeting of Friends in New York and informed that she had been enabled to accomplish the same to the peace of her own mind. She presented a minute from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders expressing that her company had been acceptable to them - which is satisfactory to us.

We are informed by Men Friends that Jonathan Freeborn has requested a removal certificate for himself & family, to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting - and we appoint Lydia Congdon and Elizabeth Smith to unite with a committee of Men Friends in preparing one to present to our next Monthly Meeting.

We have united with Men friends in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of James Chace

Lydia C. Smith - Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Providence 29<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1842.

The representatives for Providence are Penelope Brown and Lydia C. Smith - for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf & Eunice Metcalf - who are all present.



The series have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings - and a selection made therefrom which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth by our friends Eunice Metcalf, Mary W Smith & Phebe Holden whom we appoint our representatives

Through the medium of Providence preparative Meeting we have received from Mary Ann Collins a request to become a member of our Religious Society - after considering the subject, we appoint Lydia C Smith, Elizabeth Congdon & Sarah Collins Metcalf, to visit her - and report at a future meeting, their judgment in relation to the ground of her request.

A certificate directed to Rhode Island Baptist Monthly Meeting of Friends on behalf of Jonathan Freborn and family, was read, approved, and signed.

A certificate for Peter Lunt to Hants has Monthly Meeting in England has been read, and approved in this meeting & the clerk is directed to sign the same on its behalf.

We have received a certificate from Greenwich Monthly on behalf of Maria G Haws & her children, which has been read, and accepted, and is as follows viz

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Mariah G Haws (wife of George Haws) with her children viz Setho Mitchel, George Haws, Sarah Jane, Mariah Louisa Maria, and Edward Coffin, having removed from and to reside within the limits of your Meeting some time past, and it appearing of late that they have become settled for the present, it is thought best they should have a certificate. These are therefore to certify that they are members of our religious Society, and Mariah was of orderly life and conversation and a diligent attendee of our religious meetings, and the children also are in good degree orderly. we therefore recommend them to your Christian care.

desiring their preservation and growth in  
the truth

Signed on behalf and by direction of Greenwich  
Monthly Meeting of Friends held at East  
Greenwich 4<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 1842,

William Reynolds, Clerk  
Frederic Greene Clerk for the day

Emeline Aldrich, Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield 3<sup>rd</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1842

The representatives for Providence are Mary R. Bisphop  
& Sarah G. Tobey - for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith  
and Mary W. Smith - who are all present.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis  
attended this meeting with a minute of concurr-  
ence from New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup>

Ruth Davis Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> 1842. - her company and religious services  
Mary Thore have been truly acceptable to us.  
Visit

Our esteemed  
friend Mary Thore also attended this meeting  
with a minute of concurrence from Swansea  
Mo. Meeting held at Somerset 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 25<sup>th</sup> 1842.  
her company & religious services have been truly  
acceptable to us.

The representatives to the Quarterly  
Meeting attended except one, ~~for~~ who was prevented  
by indisposition

The committee in case of Mary Ann Col-  
lins have not been unmindful of their appointment - but  
have not been able to attend to it, on account of  
her absence.

Providence Preparative Meeting informs  
that Amos Parry & Eliza Almy propose publishing  
their intentions of marriage before this meeting -



the, accordingly appeared, and declared their intentions  
of taking each other in marriage - Sarah F. Tobey and  
Elizabeth Meader are appointed to take the necessary  
care in the case - and report to our next meeting.

The time having expired for  
which the clerks were appointed to serve this meeting  
Elizabeth Meader and Olive Wing are appointed to confer  
with some friends for clerk's assistant - and report to  
our next monthly meeting.

Then friends inform that they  
have concluded to disown James P. Dockroy - <sup>with</sup> which this  
meeting unites.

We have united with men friends in accepting  
a removal certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting  
on behalf of Nathan Parker.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting have been received and read. - Also a lively  
epistle from our last Yearly meeting to its subordinate  
meetings - fraught with much instructive counsel - has  
been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

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At Providence, Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 28<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1842

The representatives for Providence are Amos S. Jenkins  
& Mercy Wilkinson, for Smithfield Sabina Haskell  
and Deborah Jones - who are present.

The friends appointed last month on the sub-  
ject of clerks - propose the re-appointment of Sarah  
F. Tobey as clerk & Emeline Aldrich assistant - which  
being united with, they are appointed to that service  
for the ensuing year.

The committee in case of Mary Ann Collins  
presented the following report viz -

To Providence Mo. Meeting of Friends  
We have had an opportunity with Mary Ann

Collins on account of her request to become  
a member of our society, and found her in a  
lender frame of mind, pretty well acquainted  
with the principles of Christianity as held by  
Friends, and appeared to be convinced of their  
correctness.

We believe the request was  
made under a sense of religious duty, and  
think it may be safe to grant it - which we  
submit to the decision of the meeting.

Elizabeth Condon

Providence 9th mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1842 Lydia C. Smith

Sarah Metcalf

which being accepted in this and the mens meeting  
she is accordingly received into membership with  
us - and Hannah C. Robinson is appointed to  
inform her of the conclusion of this meeting.

The friends appointed to  
inquire into Eliza Sturges cleanness in her  
marriage engagements, do not find anything to  
prevent her proceeding in marriage with Reuben  
Turney - they are therefore left at liberty to con-  
sensuate the same, agreeably to the order of society  
- Hester G. Peckham and Sarah F. Tobie are appointed  
to attend said marriage and report to our next  
Monthly Meeting.

We have united with men friends in  
accepting the report of their committee in relation  
to Daniel W. Vaughan, with the communication  
from him - and of restoring him to membership with us.

A transcript of an epistle from  
Baltimore Yearly Meeting has been accepta-  
bly read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield on the 10th, 11th & 12th.

The representatives for Providence are Mary D. Congdon  
& Sarah H. Buffinton for Smithfield Elizabeth Smith  
& Oliver Prime, who are all present.

The Queries have been read with answers  
to the 1st & 2nd from each of our preparative meetings  
from which we have selected general answers - which  
we forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at  
Somerset to our friends Hannah L. Robinson, Olive  
Wing & Eunice Metcalf, whom we appoint our  
representatives to attend said meeting.

The friend named last month to inform  
Mary Ann Collins of the conclusion of this meeting  
respecting her - has attended thereto.

The Committee appointed to attend the  
marriage ofuben Barney & Eliza May, report that  
they attended & that it was conducted in an orderly  
manner.

The times having expired for which the overseers  
were appointed - Providence preparative meeting  
proposes Olive Wing, Lydia Congdon & Sarah Lisle for  
overseers of Society - & Lydia Congdon & Mary H. Buffinton  
for Overseers of the poor - and Smithfield preparative  
Meeting proposes Sarah Metcalf, Eunice Metcalf, Elizabeth  
Smith & Sarah Buffinton for overseers of Society -  
and Patience Haskell and Mary W. Smith for overseers  
of the poor, which being approved by this meeting  
they are appointed to that service for the ensuing  
year.

We are informed through the medium of Providence  
preparative meeting that Mary Ann Goodland  
late Barker had united herself in marriage with  
one not in membership with us - and we appoint  
Rebecca H. Holden, Lydia L. Smith & Lydia Congdon  
to visit her on the account, and report to our next meeting.

A certificate on behalf of Deborah Campbell  
was read, accepted, and is as follows viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting  
Dear Friends

Deborah Campbell having  
removed to reside within the limits of your  
meeting, request our certificate - she being a mem-  
ber of this meeting, and as far as appears having  
settled her outward affairs to satisfaction, we  
recommend her to your Christian care and over-  
sight and are your friends.

Signed by direction of,  
Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends  
held 8th mo<sup>th</sup> 25th 1842.

Pleg Mitchell } Clerks  
Sarah J. Paddock }

Our beloved friend John Meader returned  
at this time the certificate granted him in  
10th mo<sup>th</sup> last, with the information that he  
had been favoured to accomplish the service as  
therein expressed to the comfort and peace of his  
own mind - which was satisfactory to us. - he  
also presented minutes from Springborough  
Miami, White Lick, Fairfield, Mill Creek, Union,  
and West Branch Monthly Meetings - from New-  
-Garden, Western White Lick, White Water, Westfield,  
and Alum Creek Quarterly Meetings, and one from  
Indiana Yearly Meeting - expressing that his  
company & gospel labours had been acceptable  
& edifying to them.

Our Esteemed friend Elizabeth Meader  
a minister in unity with us, spent in this  
meeting a prospect which had for some time  
rested with weight upon her mind - of paying  
a <sup>religious</sup> visit to some of the meetings within the  
limits of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, and if way  
should open for it, of appointing a few meetings



amongst those not in membership with us - this concern of our friend claimed our deliberate consideration, and was fully united with, and she left at liberty to proceed therein as truth may open the way - and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Our Esteemed friend Samuel Boyd Tobey spread before this meeting a concern which had for sometime rested upon his mind, of attending and appointing some meetings within the limits of Sandwich, Smithfield, & Salem Quarterly Meetings - and of attending Sandwich Quarterly Meeting next to be held at New Bedford - this concern of our friend received our solid consideration - and was fully united with - and the Clerk was directed to sign on our behalf a minute prepared for him by men friends.

A certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel Harris & wife Sarah has been read, accepted, and is as follows viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends.  
Dear Friends

Samuel Harris & wife Sarah having removed to live within the limits of your meeting, request our Certificate - we therefore certify on their behalf that while with us they were of orderly lives & conversation, diligent in the attendance of meetings, and he has settled his outward affairs to satisfaction as far as appears - we recommend them to your Christian care.

Signed by direction of Smithfield Monthly Meeting held 29th of 9th month 1842.

John Osborne } Clerk.  
Lydia B. Keller }

Men friends inform that they have concluded to disown Nathan W. Jackson - with which we unite.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 22<sup>d</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1842

The representatives for Providence are Huldah  
A. Meader & Sarah F. Tobey for Smithfield Dorcas  
Paine for Uxmania Smith who are all present

The representatives to the Quarterly  
Meeting attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee appointed last mo  
to visit Mary Ann Howland are not ready to  
report at this time.

We are informed through the medium  
of Providence preparative meeting that Mary  
G. Eldridge with her daughter Mary Garrison  
has removed to live within the limits of Salem  
Monthly Meeting and we appoint Huldah A  
Meader & Sarah F. Tobey to prepare a removal  
certificate for them & present to our next  
monthly meeting.

Minutes from Seabrook Mo. Meeting on behalf  
of Edward Gove & his companion David Challis  
have been read - both of whom are acceptably  
in attendance of this meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from New York, Indiana  
& North Carolina & Ohio have been read at  
this time.

Men friends inform that they have concluded  
to disown Reuben Varney from membership with  
us, with which this meeting unites.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield the 23<sup>d</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup>  
mo 1842. The representatives for Providence  
are Lydia Congdon & Olive Wing for  
Smithfield Willy Paine Mary W. Smith.

The committee in case of Mary Ann Howland  
presented a report which is referred for further



consideration one month under the care of the same committee

The friends named last month to prepare a removal certificate for Mary T Eldridge and her daughter Mary T. a minor - presented one which was read, approved & signed in this and the mens meeting

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader returned at this time the certificate granted her in 8th mo last with the information that she had been enabled to perform the service as therein expressed to the relief and peace of her own mind. She presented a minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting - and one from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford expressing that her company and gospel labours had been acceptable to them.

Our esteemed friend Daniel Clapp attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Uxbridge Monthly Meeting - his company and religious services were acceptable to us.

The following certificate has been read & accepted - viz  
To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Martha Barker a member of this meeting, having removed, and now residing within the limits of yours, we recommend her to your christian care and oversight - and are your friends

Signed by direction of Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 3rd 1842

Paley Mitchell } Clerks  
Sarah J. Paddack }

We have united with men friends in accepting the following certificate - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Calvin Shore having removed with his wife Sarah G Shore and their children William & Mary Ann Shore, minors, within the limits of your meeting, this is to certify on their behalf that they are members of our religious society, and on inquiry it appears they have settled their pecuniary affairs to satisfaction. as such we recommend them to your christian care -

Signed by direction and on behalf of  
Smithfield Monthly Meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> 1842

John Osborne } Clerks  
Lydia B Kelly }

Our esteemed friend Samuel Boyd Tobey returned at this time the minutes granted him in 10<sup>th</sup> mo last with the information that he had been enabled to perform the service as therein expressed to the relief and comfort of his own mind. He presented a minute from New Bedford Quarterly Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1<sup>st</sup> expressing that his company and religious services were acceptable to them

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 1<sup>st</sup> mo 3<sup>rd</sup> 1843.

The representatives for Providence are Deborah Stephens & Penelope Brown - for Smithfield Anna S Dennis & Lydia B Smith who are all present.

The queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our



preparative meetings from which we have selected general answers and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Providence by our friends Eunice Melcalf Sarah Melcalf Anna S. Perkins and Phoebe H. Holden whom we appoint our representatives.

The report of the Committee in case of Mary Ann Howland was again read and is as follows, viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

"We have conferred with Mary Ann Howland on the subject of complaint as brought up by the overseers." She manifested a regard for Friends but evinced no disposition to condemn her deviation, and we are united in judgment that further care would not be useful.

Lydia C. Smith

Lydia Congdon

Phoebe H. Holden

and after considering the subject we have concluded to accept it and make a minute of disownment against her - men friends concurring therein & Lydia C. Smith is appointed to inform her of this decision.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative Meeting, that Emma Wadsworth has united herself in membership with another religious society, and we appoint Huldah A. Meader & Phoebe H. Holden to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

We are also informed through the medium of Smithfield preparative Meeting, that Eunice Haskell has united herself in membership with the Baptist Society, and we appoint Dorcas Paine and Anna S. Dennis to visit her on the account and report when ready.

Transcripts of epistles from Virginia and Philadelphia have been read at this time.

Mariah T. Foley Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield the 22<sup>d</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1843

The representatives for Providence are  
Elizabeth Mader & Phebe B Peckham - to accom-  
pany from Smithfield.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee in case of Emma Hadsworth  
inform that they have not been unmindful of  
their appointment but have not as yet been  
able to give attention to it.

The friends appointed to visit  
Emice P. Haskell presented the following report  
viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

We your Committee in case of Emice  
P. Haskell have attended to our appointment.

She treated us kindly, but appeared fully  
satisfied with the course she had taken; and  
we are united in judgment that farther labour  
on her account would not be useful - which  
we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Deborah Paine

Cumberland 2<sup>d</sup> Mo 20<sup>th</sup>

Anna J. Dennis

which being accepted, she is with the concurrence  
of our friends disowned from membership  
with us, & Emice Metcalf is appointed to inform  
her of this decision.

The London printed epistle of last year, has  
been read to our comfort & instruction.

Our esteemed friend John Mader a minister  
in unity opened in this Meeting a prospect which  
had for some time rested upon his mind, of attending  
some meetings, and of appointing a few within the  
limits of Salem Quarterly Meeting. - After  
considering the subject his prospect was united  
with by this meeting and he was left



at liberty to proceed therein as truth may  
open the way

Sarah F. Goby - Clerk -

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo. 1845.

The representatives for Providence are Penelope  
Brown & Mary D. Congdon - for Smithfield - Harriet Smith  
& Mary Quincy - who are present except one

The Committee under appointment  
to visit Emma Wadsworth have presented a report which  
is accepted and is as follows viz -

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends

Amenable to appointment we have visited Emma  
Wadsworth. she appeared satisfied with her course, and  
we are united in judgment that further labour in the  
case may not be necessary. - all which we submit.

Elizabeth H. Holden

Providence 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Huldah A. Meader

and she is accordingly disowned from membership  
with us - men friends concurring therein - and  
Mary G. Anthony is appointed to inform her of this  
decision.

The friend appointed to inform Mary Ann  
Howland of the decision of this meeting respect-  
ing her, has attended thereto.

We are informed through the medium  
of Providence preparative meeting that Elizabeth  
Jackson has neglected the attendance of our meet-  
ings and does not in other respects conform to the  
order of our society, and we appoint Lydia Congdon  
& Elizabeth Meader to visit her on this account and  
report to a future meeting

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins  
a minister in unity with us informed this meeting  
that she had been enabled through divine assis-

tance - in accordance with a prospect spread before us in the 3rd Nov. 1841 to attend the last Yearly Meetings of Ireland & London and to perform such other service as appeared at the time to be required of her - and that then feeling her mind released from further labour she was favoured to return to her family & friends with the reward of peace - she presented a minute from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders for Ireland held in Dublin - which (with the foregoing information is very satisfactory to us) and is as follows - viz. -

To Providence Monthly Meeting, Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting & The Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New England.

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Anna Almy Jenkins to whom you granted certificates liberating her for the performance of a religious visit in these parts, having attended our Yearly Meeting and being now about to depart for England in the prosecution of the service to which she believes herself called.

We certify on her behalf that her company at this meeting has been truly acceptable to us that we have full unity with her Gospel labours and that her solid deportment has been instructive and edifying.

We desire to commend her to the continued preservation of the good Shepherd, who putteth forth his own and goeth before them, and are with the salutation of love - your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders for Ireland held in Dublin on the 23 of fourth month 1842 & by adjournment on the 30th of the same

Joseph Bewley

Clerk to the meeting this year



Our dear friend also in a weighty and emphatic  
in manner expressed this feeling that she  
felt her mind drawn in gospel flow again to  
pay a religious visit to Friends and others in Great  
Britain. She was anxious to visit and appoint meet-  
ings in some places as her mind should be draw-  
-wn to the service upon the European Continent.

Her prospect claimed our deliberate <sup>& solid</sup> consid-  
eration, much united and respectfully con-  
-expressed with her in this important concern  
and she was liberated for the service with the  
cordial approbation of the meeting. — and Sarah  
to be, Lydia L. Smith & Elizabeth Mead. and  
Elizabeth Congdon are appointed to unite  
with a committee of our friends in preparing  
a certificate for her to present to our next  
Monthly Meeting.

A removal certificate to Salem Mo.  
Meeting on behalf of George F. Reed has been  
read and approved by this Meeting and the  
clerk is directed to sign the same on its  
behalf

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield the 26<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo  
1848 — The representatives for Providence were  
Lydia L. Smith and Olive Wing — for Smithfield  
Lucius Metcalf & Asenath Buffinton

The Queries with answers at  
larger from each of our preparative Meetings  
have been read from which we have selected  
such as we think descriptive of the present state  
of the meeting and forward them to the Quarterly Me-  
eting next to be held at Greenwich by our Friends

Oliver King Eunice Melcalf, and Mary W. Gould  
whom we appoint our representatives to attend  
said meeting.

The friends named last M<sup>o</sup>.  
to inform Emma Wadsworth of the conclusion  
of this meeting respecting her, has attended  
thence.

The committee in case of Elizabeth Jackson  
presented the following report viz -

To Providence Month<sup>ly</sup> Meeting  
Agreeable to appointment we have visited  
Elizabeth Jackson and find that she is satis-  
fied with the course she is pursuing, and we  
are united in the belief that further labour  
will not be useful

4th Mo 3.5<sup>th</sup>

Elizabeth Meader

Lydia Congdon

which being accepted in this and the next  
meeting, she is accordingly disowned from  
membership with us, and Phoebe Sackham is  
appointed to inform her of this conclusion.

The friends appointed to  
inform Eunice P. Haskell of the decision of this  
meeting in her case, reports that she has atten-  
ded to her appointment

The Committee appointed  
last month to prepare a certificate for our  
friend Anna A. Jenkins - presented one  
which was approved by the meeting - and  
signed by the clerk & other friends -  
and is as follows - viz -

To Friends within the limits  
of London and Ireland Yearly Meetings  
Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Anna  
Henry Jenkins a minister in unity and



good esteem with us, informed this meeting that she had been favoured through the extension of divine help, in pursuance of a prospect as expressed in a certificate granted her by us in the 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1844, to attend the Yearly Meetings of Ireland & London last year, also to perform such other religious service as she believed to be required of her at that time - and was then permitted and enabled to return in safety to her family and friends, with the reward of peace.

Our dear friend now communicated to this meeting in a weighty and impressive manner, her belief that it was required of her by the Holy Head of the Church, to stand resigned again to leave her home and cross the ocean, to pay a visit in the love of the Gospel as way may open for it to Friends and others in Great Britain and Ireland, and also at some places on the continent of Europe, and to appoint meetings as her mind may be drawn to that service in the course of this religious engagement.

We were introduced into tender sympathy with our dear friend in this concern, and after a time of deliberate and solid consideration, she was liberated with the full and cordial unity of this meeting, to pursue her journey as Truth may direct.

In being again called upon to resign our beloved sister to the requirements of her divine Master in the discharge of her religious duty in a distant land, we believe it right for us to say, that in her ministry she is sound in word and doctrine, and that her life and conversation are consistent with our Christian profession.

We would renewedly commend her to the kind attention and regard of those among whom her lot may be cast, fervently desiring

That He who putteth forth his own and  
goeth before them, may be mercifully pleased  
to extend to her from day to day His sustaining  
and preserving presence, and enable her when  
this weighty service shall have been accomplish-  
ed to return in safety to her family and friends,  
with the reward of peace

Signed in and on behalf of Providence  
Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield  
in the State of Rhode Island - North America  
the 20<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1843.

Jonathan L. Stocum }  
Sarah Fay Tobey } Clerks

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| William Jenkins   | Elizabeth Meader   |
| Eliza Bowen       | Elizabeth Congdon  |
| Jonathan Congdon  | Lydia C. Smith     |
| Joseph Metcalf    | Olive Wing         |
| Allen Wing        | Elizabeth Smith    |
| Joseph Smith      | Hannah C. Robinson |
| Eminger Metcalf   | Emmie . Metcalf,   |
| Arnold Congdon    | Lydia Congdon      |
| Caleb Paine       | Phebe G. Peckham   |
| John Meader       | Huldah A. Meader   |
| Samuel Boyd Tobey | Mary R. Buffinton  |
| Reuben A. Peckham | Mary W. Smith      |
| Gilbert Congdon   | Asenath Buffinton  |
| Thomas Harkness   | Mary R. Congdon    |
| Simon C. Smith    | Fanny Ann Collins  |
| Turner Haskell    |                    |
| Davis Metcalf     |                    |
| Thomas Chase      |                    |
| Caleb Paine       |                    |
| James Deming      |                    |

Our beloved friend John Meader a minister  
in unity with us, opened in this meeting a



prospect that had for some time rested with weight upon his mind and increasing so of late, to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of New York - his prospect after deliberate consideration thereon was united with and the Clerk was directed to sign on our behalf a minute prepared for him by ~~men~~ friends.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Mo. Meeting of Women Friends  
held Sept of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1843

The representatives for Providence are Lydia L. Smith & Mary B. Buffinton - for Smithfield Deborah Lewis & Patience Haskell - who are all present.

The representatives to this Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The friends appointed last mo. to inform Elizabeth Jackson of the decision of this meeting respecting her - has attended thereto.

We have united with men friends in disowning Daniel A. Jackson.

Men friends inform that they have concluded to accept the report of their committee in case of Charles Hadden and to restore him to membership with us - with which we unite -

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 28<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo 1843 -

The representatives for Providence are Mary D. Congdon & Deborah Stephens - for Smithfield Mary W. Smith & Milly Paine - all present.

A certificate from Baltimore Mo. Meeting on behalf of Mary B. Congdon has been read, accepted, and is as follows - viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Mary R. Tongdon who has removed to reside with her husband within <sup>your</sup> the limits requests our certificate - this is to certify she is a member of our religious society, and as such we recommend her to your christian care and oversight and are your friends

Signed by direction and on behalf of Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern <sup>& Western</sup> Districts held 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 4<sup>th</sup> 1841

Richard L. Thomas - Clerk  
Samuel Galbott

William Procter Correspondent

A certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting on behalf of Harvey Chace - Anna C. Chace his wife and their children James H. & Jonathan Chace, both minors, has been read and accepted and is as follows viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends

Harvey Chace - Anna C. Chace his wife, together with their children James H. & Jonathan Chace, (both minors) having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting, request our certificate: these are therefore to certify that they are members of our religious society, of orderly lives and conversation, that they were diligent in the attendance of our meetings, and that their temporal concerns are adjusted to satisfaction - As such we recommend them to your attention

Signed on behalf of Swansea Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Somerset 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 29<sup>th</sup> 1842.

By - Thomas Wilbur - Clerk

Laura L. Chace bkk for the day

Our beloved friend John Meader returned to this meeting the minutes granted him in



1<sup>st</sup> Mo West. with the information that he had been  
favoured to accomplish the service for which it was  
granted him to the comfort of his own mind.

The minute was endorsed by New York Yearly Meeting  
expressing their satisfaction with his company.

Emeline Aldrich Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25 of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1849

The representatives for Providence are Phoebe  
H. Holden & Sarah G. Hobey - For Smithfield Sarah M. M. M.  
and Asenath Buffinton - who are all present.

The Inquiries have been read with answers  
to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative  
meetings from which we have selected general ans-  
wers, and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next  
to be held at Portsmouth by our friends Deborah  
Jenks Sarah G. Hobey and Mary W. Smith whom we  
appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader  
a minister in unity with us - opened in this meet-  
ing a prospect that had for several years rested upon  
her mind and with increasing weight of latter time -  
to attend in the love of the Gospel - the Yearly Meeting  
of North Carolina and some meetings within its  
limits - and also to attend some meetings on her way  
going and returning - and as her mind may be  
drawn to the service to appoint meetings in the course  
of her journey amongst friends and others -

Her prospect claimed our deliberate and  
solid consideration and was fully united with  
and she encouraged to proceed therein as Truth may  
open the way - and the clerk is directed to give her  
with a copy of this minute

Our beloved friend Saml Boyd Jones  
a minister in unity with us - spread before this

meeting a concern that had for some time  
rested upon his mind to visit in gospel love  
the Quarterly Meetings of Dover, Falmouth Fairfield  
and Vassalboro and some of the meetings com-  
posing them - and to appoint some meetings  
amongst friends and others - his prospect  
claimed our deliberate consideration and was  
fully united with - and the clerk was directed  
to sign on our behalf - a minute prepared for  
him by men friends

We are informed through the  
medium of Providence preparative meeting  
that Elizabeth Barker has removed to live within  
the limits of Greenwich Mo. Meeting and requests  
our certificate for herself and daughters Eliza  
Martha Barker - and we appoint Sarah B  
Smith, Thebe H. Holden and Elizabeth Smith to  
prepare certificates for them if nothing appears  
to prevent - and present to our next meeting

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 30th of Sept. 1842.

The representatives for Providence were Sarah F.  
Tobey and Thebe P. Beckham - for Smithfield  
Deborah Arnold and Deborah Sanks - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
seamlessly to appointment

The friends appointed to prepare and  
certificates for Elizabeth Barker and her daughters  
Eliza & Martha Barker presented them at this time  
and they being approved by the meeting the clerk  
was directed to sign them on its behalf and forward  
them to Greenwich Monthly Meeting.



We are informed through the medium of Providence  
preparative meeting that Mary Chase, formerly Aldrich,  
has connected herself in marriage with a member of  
this meeting contrary to the order of society and we  
appoint Hannah T. Robinson and Lydia Congdon  
to visit her on the account and report to our next  
Monthly Meeting.

Smithfield preparative meeting informs that  
Eliza Briggs has for some time neglected the attendance  
of our religious meetings and in other respects deviated  
from the rules of our discipline and we appoint  
Oliver King and Huldah A. Meader to visit her, and  
report to our next meeting.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Society  
Meeting - and the report of the Boarding School Committee  
have been acceptably read at this time.

The following certificate was read, and accepted - viz -  
To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

William A. Robinson having  
removed with his wife Dorcas B. and their minor  
children Mary A. Jr. James, Edward H. Caroline,  
Anne A. and William A. Junr. within the limits  
of your meeting - request our certificate.

These are to certify on their behalf, that they are  
members of our society, diligent in the attendance  
of religious meetings while with us, and careful to  
take their children with them. The necessary  
care being taken - their temporal concerns appear  
to be left to satisfaction. We recommend

them to your care and attention with desires  
for their preservation and growth in the truth,  
and are your friends,

Signed in and on behalf of Greenwich  
Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 31<sup>st</sup> 1843

Peter Peck }  
Frederic Green } Clerks

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed to serve this meeting - Lydia Comden and Elizabeth Mauder are appointed to confer with some persons for that station and propose them to our next <sup>mo.</sup> meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey, Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1843

The representatives for Providence are Lucretia Chace and Hannah Robinson - for Smithfield Milly Paine & Patience Haskell - who are present.

The friends named last month on the subject of clerks, inform that they have given attention to the subject but are not ready to report and Sarah F. Tobey is appointed for the day.

The committee appointed to visit Elsie Shaw (formerly Aldrich) inform that they have given attention to the subject but are not ready to make a report at this time, and they having proposed an addition to the committee - Olive Hings name is added thereto.

The committee in case of Eliza Briggs are not ready to report at this time.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins a minister in unity with us opened in this meeting a prospect that had for some time rested upon her mind of attending the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford - and also the approaching Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich - and as way may open for it - of visiting a few meetings within its limits.

Her prospect claimed our deliberate consideration and was fully visited with and she left at liberty to proceed therein, as truth may open the way, and the Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute

Sarah F. Tobey, Clerk.



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 2.0<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1843

The representatives for Providence are Olive Wing and  
Lydia C. Smith - for Smithfield Deborah Arnold and  
Sarah Metcalf - who are present.

The committee on the subject of Clerks propose  
the reappointment of Sarah F. Tobey for clerk and  
Emeline Aldrich assistant - which being united  
with by the meeting they are appointed to that  
service for the ensuing year.

The Inquiries have been read, with answers to the  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative Meet-  
ings and general answers selected therefrom, which  
we forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held  
at Swansea by Hannah C. Robinson Eunice Metcalf  
& Asenath Buffinton whom we appoint our repre-  
sentatives to attend said Meeting.

Our esteemed friend Eli Jones attended this Meeting  
with a minute of concurrence from China Monthly  
Meeting endorsed by Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting - His  
company was acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins returned at  
this time the minute granted her last month - with  
the information that she had been favoured to accomplish  
the services as therein expressed to the relief and peace of  
her own mind - which was satisfactory to the Meeting.

She presented minutes from New Bedford Monthly Meeting  
from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, held at Sandwich and  
from Sandwich Monthly Meeting - expressing that her  
company and religious services had been acceptable  
to them.

The Committee in case of Elsie Chace are not ready to  
report at this time.

The Committee under appointment to visit Eliza Briggs  
inform that they have given some attention to the  
subject but are not ready to report.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> mo 29<sup>th</sup> 1843.

The representatives for Providence are Mary  
Burrington & Hannah Lawrence - for Smithfield  
Deborah Tenck & Lucine Melcott - who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee in case of Eliza Chace are not  
ready to report at this time.

The committee appointed to visit Eliza Briggs  
also inform that they are not ready to report.

We have united with men friends in disowning  
Daniel W. Vaughn from membership with us.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 29<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1843

The representatives for Providence are Lydia Congdon  
& Phoebe & Pickham. for Smithfield Mary W. Smith  
and Anna T. Dennis - who are present except one -

The clerk being absent - Anna T. Dennis is appointed  
for the day.

The committees in case of Eliza Chace - and the one in  
case of Eliza Briggs - are not ready to report at this time.

We are informed through the medium of Providence  
Preparative Meeting that Esther Smith has requested  
to become a member of our society, and we appoint

Lydia C. Smith Elizabeth Meader & Lydia Congdon  
to visit her and report their judgment in the case  
at our next meeting.

We have united with men friends in accepting a removal  
certificate from Winstham Monthly Meeting on  
behalf of Nathan Stephens.

Our beloved friend John Meader a minister in union



with us, opened in this meeting a prospect which had for some time rested upon his mind - of attending Dover Quarterly Meeting, and of appointing some meetings within its limits, which was fully united with - and the clerk was directed to sign on our behalf, a minute prepared for him by men friends.

The meeting being small, we conclude to defer the appointment of overseers ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> one month.

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tobey - returned to this meeting the certificate granted him in 9th month last, with the information that he had been favoured to accomplish the service as therein expressed, to the peace of his own mind - which was satisfactory to us.

He presented minutes from Dover M<sup>o</sup>. Meeting, and from the Quarterly Meetings of Dover, Falmouth, Fairfield and Vassalboro; expressing that his company and religious services were acceptable to them.

Anna J. Desoris - Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1844

The representatives for Providence are Maria Haws and Lucretia Chace, for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf, and Sarah Metcalf - who are all present.

Our esteemed friend Anna D King attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sandwich M<sup>o</sup>. Meeting - her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Daniel Clapp attended this meeting with a minute from Uxbridge M<sup>o</sup>. Meeting - his company and religious labours have also been acceptable to us.

The Queries and answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings, have been read at this time - from the answers we have selected such as we think

will give a correct state of the meeting, and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sarah Metcalf Sarah Seale and Eunice Metcalf whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader returned to this meeting, the minute given her in 7<sup>th</sup> mo last with the information that she had been enabled to accomplish the required service, to the peace of her own mind. She presented returning minutes from Deep River Monthly Meeting, Western Quarterly Meeting and North Carolina Yearly Meeting - expressive of their satisfaction with her company and religious services amongst them.

The committee appointed to visit Uley Chace, inform that they are not ready to report at this time.

The one in case of Eliza Briggs also inform that they are not ready to report.

The friends under appointment to visit Esther Smith in consequence of her request for membership, presented the following report - viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Esther Smith, and had a satisfactory opportunity with her. She appears to be convinced of the Christian principles professed by Friends, and we believe the request for admission into the Society was made under an apprehension of duty, and think it may be safe to grant it. which we submit to the consideration of the meeting.

Lydia C. Smith

Providence 2<sup>nd</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1844.

Elizabeth Meader

Lydia Congdon

Said report being accepted, and men friends uniting therein she is admitted into membership, and

Penelope Brown is appointed to inform her thereof.

Men friends inform that they have concluded to restore Stephen Brooks to membership with which this meeting unites.



Smithfield Preparative Meeting proposes Eunice Metcalf, Sarah Metcalf, Elizabeth Smith & Asenath Buffinton for Overseers of Society, & Patience Haskell and Mary W. Smith for Overseers of the poor - and Providence Preparative Meeting proposes Olive Wing, Lydia Congdon and Phoebe H. Holden for Overseers of Society, and Lydia Congdon and Mary R. Buffinton for Overseers of the poor - which being approved by this meeting, they are appointed to the service for the ensuing year.

Men friends inform that they have concluded to disown Amasa C. Robinson - with which this meeting unites.

Emeline Aldrich - Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Mary I. Congdon and Mary Buffinton, for Smithfield Dorcas Paine and Mary W. Smith - present except two - a satisfactory reason given for the absence of one.

The clerk not being present, Mary R. Buffinton is appointed for the day.

Isaac Kenyon and Mary Ann Collins appeared in this meeting and declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were referred to the mens meeting - we appoint Lydia Congdon and Elizabeth Meader to inquire into Mary Ann Collins clearness in her marriage engagements and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee in case of Alex. Chace have presented a report which - as the meeting is small we defer acting upon till another meeting.

The committee in case of Eliza Briggs inform that

they have given some attention to the subject, but are not ready to report.

We have united with our friends, in accepting a removal certificate from Chesterfield Monthly Meeting this season on behalf of Thomas & Eliza

Mary B. Buffinton Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 27<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Hannah C. Robinson & Huldah A. Meader - for Smithfield Eunice Melcalf & Dorcas Paine - who are present except one - who was prevented by indisposition

The clerk being absent, Anna G. Dennis is appointed for the day

The friends appointed to inquire into Mary Ann Collins clearness in her marriage engagement do not find anything to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Isaac C. Kenyon - they are therefore left at liberty to consummate the same, according to the order of society - Hannah C. Robinson and Eliza G. Bowen are appointed to attend said marriage and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

The committee in case of Edgy Chace presented a report which is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting

We have visited Edgy Chace late Hilditch according to appointment. She wishes to be retained a member of our Society, but as her desire does not appear to be accompanied by a concern to walk consistently with us, we do not feel like encouraging friends to retain her in membership with us. Which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Oliver Wing

Lydia Congdon  
Hannah C. Robinson

2<sup>nd</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1844.



Said report being accepted she is accordingly disowned from membership with us, our friends concurring therein - and Huldah A. Meader is appointed to inform her of this decision.

We are informed through Smithfield preparative meeting that Francis L. Baker (formerly Wilkinson) has connected himself in marriage with one not a member of our Society - and we appoint Lydia C. Smith, Lydia Congdon and Penelope Brown to visit her on the account, and report to a future meeting.

Our esteemed friend John Meader returned to this meeting the minute granted him in 12<sup>th</sup> mo last with a minute from Dover Quarterly Meeting expressing that his company and gospel labours had been acceptable to them. He also informed this meeting that he had been enabled to perform the work which he then had in view to the relief of his own mind, which was satisfactory to us.

Anna J. Dennis. Clerk for the day

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 21<sup>st</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Lucretia Chace & Sarah F. Tobey - for Smithfield Patience Haskell and Anna J. Dennis, who are present.

The Suries have been read, with answers from each of our preparative meetings from which we have selected general answers, and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Greenwich by Lydia C. Smith Sarah F. Tobey, Eunice Metcalf and Anna J. Dennis whom we appoint our representatives.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Isaac C. Kenyon and Mary Ann Collins report that they attended and it was conducted in an orderly & becoming manner.

The Committee under appointment to visit Francis L. Baker presented the following report - viz -

Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Agreeably to appointment we have visited  
Francis S. Baker; late Wilkinson. She expressed a desire  
to continue a member of our society - but as she did not  
manifest religious sensibility or solidity of deportment  
we do not feel a freedom to propose to have her retained  
which we submit to the decision of the meeting

Penelope Brown

Providence the 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

Lydia C. Smith

Lydia Congdon

this report being accepted she is with the concurrence of  
men friends disowned from membership with us,  
and Dorcas Paine is appointed to inform her thereof.

The friend named last month to inform Abby  
Chace of the decision of this meeting respecting her, has not  
been able to attend to her appointment.

Transcripts of epistles from London Indiana  
and Ohio have been read at this time.

We unite with men friends in disowning  
William Chace from membership with us.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk-

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 29<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1844.

The representatives for Providence are Penelope Brown  
& Hannah C. Robinson for Smithfield Mary W. Smith &  
Deborah Lents - who are present.

The clerk being absent Anna S. Dennis is appointed  
for the day.

The friend appointed to inform Frances S. Baker  
of the decision of this meeting respecting her, has  
attended to her appointment.

The one appointed to inform Abby Chace. has also  
attended thereto.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting



attended agreeably to appointment.

The Committee appointed to visit Eliza Briggs have presented the following report - viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting,

Agreeably to our appointment we have several times visited Eliza Briggs, she appeared in a tender frame of mind, yet not manifesting a disposition to maintain our Christian testimonies, we are united in judgment that further labour may not be useful in the case.

Oliver Wing

Huldah A Meader

5<sup>th</sup> Mo 20<sup>th</sup> 1844

said report is accepted and she accordingly disowned from membership with us - Men friends uniting therein - and Eunice Metcalf, is appointed to inform her of this decision -

Our esteemed friend Jared Patterson attended this meeting with a certificate from Walnut Ridge Monthly Meeting - endorsed by Spiceland Quarterly Meeting expressive of their unity with him, in his present religious engagement - his company and services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign on our behalf, a minute prepared for him by men friends.

A minute from Milford Monthly Meeting on behalf of Josiah Morris - Companion of Jared Patterson, has been read, he is acceptably in attendance of this meeting and the clerk is directed to sign on its behalf a minute prepared for him by men friends.

Anna T Dennis Clerk for the day,

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 26<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1844.

The representatives for Providence are Penelope Brown and Oliver Wing - for Smithfield Patience Haskell & Anna T. Dennis, who are present.

Our beloved friend Abigail M Jones attended

this meeting with a minute of concurrence from  
Dover Monthly Meeting - her company and religious  
services have been acceptable to us - and the clerk is  
directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved friend Hannah Morrell, companion to Abigail  
Jones acceptably attended this meeting with a minute  
from Berwick Monthly Meeting - the Clerk is directed  
to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

A minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting  
H. Hampshire on behalf of <sup>our beloved friend</sup> Lindly M. Hoag has been  
read, - he is acceptably in attendance of this meeting  
and the clerk is directed to sign on its behalf a  
returning minute prepared for him by our friends.

The friend named last month to inform  
Eliza Briggs of the decision of this meeting respecting  
her has not been able to attend to her appointment.

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held at Smithfield the 25<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Huldah A. Mead  
& Penelope Brown for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf  
and Dorcas Paine - all present.

The Inquiries have been read with answers to the  
1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings  
from which we have selected such as we think descrip-  
-tive of the present state of our meetings and forward them  
to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth  
by our friends Dorcas Paine, Olive Wing & Lydia Congdon  
whom we appoint our representatives.

The friend appointed to inform Eliza Briggs of the  
decision of this meeting in her case - has attended thereto.

Our esteemed friend John Meader a  
minister in unity with us, & present before this meeting



a concern which had for a considerable time attended his mind, and lately with increasing weight, of attending in gospel love the Quarterly Meetings of Falmouth, Vassalboro, & Fairfield - of visiting some meetings within their limits - and also if way should open for it of appointing some meetings amongst friends and others, particularly in the Northern and Eastern portions of said quarters.

His prospect having claimed our deliberate consideration was united with and he left at liberty to proceed therein as truth may open the way - and the clerk was directed to sign on our behalf a minute prepared for him by our friends.

A removal certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Elizabeth H. Austin, has been read, accepted and is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Elizabeth H. Austin wife of Samuel H. Austin, having removed to live within the limits of your Meeting, requests our certificate. This may certify on her behalf, that she is a member of our religious society, of orderly life, and diligent in attending our meetings, as such we recommend her to your Christian care.

Signed by direction & on behalf of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of friends held 29<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

John Osborne } Clerk  
Lydia H. Kelly }

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins returned at this time the certificates furnished her this meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1841 & 1843 liberating her for the religious visit to Great Britain & Ireland, and some places upon the Continent of Europe - with the information that through the preserving care of the unsundering Shepherd of Israel, she had been mercifully favoured, fully to accomplish all that she believed to be required of her. That she had attended the Yearly Meetings of London and Ireland - and visited many meetings of friends belonging

thereto - and had also visited those professing  
with friends in the South of France - to the entire  
relief and peace of her own mind.

The presented Minutes from the Yearly Meetings  
of Ministers & Elders of London & Ireland which with  
the foregoing information are acceptable to us and  
are as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting, Rhode Island,  
Quarterly Meeting, and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers  
and Elders for New England.

Dear Friends. Our beloved friend Anna  
Almy Jenkins has attended this Yearly Meeting and  
produced certificates from you liberating her for a  
religious visit in these parts; She has informed us  
that her prospect of service amongst us, is now nearly  
accomplished; - We certify on her behalf, that her  
Company and Gospel Labours have been truly accept-  
able and her ministry sound and edifying.

With desires for the preservation of this our dear  
Sister, through any remaining services that may be  
allotted to her, and that when the time of her full libera-  
tion shall have arrived, she may if consistent with  
the divine Will, be favoured to return in safety to her  
family and Friends with the reward of peace.

We are your friends

Signed by direction and on  
behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for  
Ireland, held in Dublin on the 24<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo and by  
adjournments on the 1<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1844.

Joseph Bewley, Clerk to the Meeting this year

To the Monthly Meeting of Providence, the  
Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island, and the Yearly Meeting  
of New England.

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Anna Almy Jenkins  
who attended this Meeting last year, and produced



certificates from your respective meetings, having returned home in the course of the summer, we think it right to certify on her behalf, that her company and services at our Yearly Meeting of 1842 - were to the comfort of Friends, and in her visit which was confined to but a small part of the meetings of Friends in this country, her ministry was acceptable and edifying. Desiring her continued dedication to the service of her Lord, and that she may be kept under the safe guidance of the Holy Spirit - we are with the salutation of love your friends.

Signed in and on behalf of the meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London on the 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1843.

Samuel Luke, Clerk

From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London on the 20<sup>th</sup> and by adjournments on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1844.

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders for New England, the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island, and Providence Monthly Meeting in that State.

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Anna Army Jenkins has informed this meeting that she has been enabled to accomplish the prospect of visiting those in profession with Friends in the South of France to the satisfaction of her own mind; and also that having been enabled to accomplish most of the engagements which she had in view, as expressed in her certificates, she believes the time is not far distant when she may be permitted with a peaceful mind, and under a grateful sense of the Lord's mercies to return to her native land. We certify that her company and Gospel service, have been truly acceptable to us, that she has laboured diligently during her stay in this land, and her ministry has been sound and edifying and a comfort to and encouragement to many. We part from this dear

friend in much love and in the unity of the Gospel  
of Christ, commending her to the care of our Heavenly  
Father, and desiring that she may be restored to her  
family & Friends with the reward of peace.

We remain your friends

Signed by direction and on behalf  
of the Meeting aforesaid

Samuel Tuke. Clerk.

We are informed through the medium of Providence  
Preparative Meeting that Olive Arnold has removed  
to live within the limits of Salem Mo. Meeting, Iowa  
and request our certificate. We appoint Lydia C  
Smith & Hannah C Robinson to prepare one if they  
find nothing to prevent and present to our next  
Monthly Meeting.

Sarah P Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held at Smithfield the 25<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Hannah C  
Robinson & Mary R Buffinton. for Smithfield  
Milly Saines & Mary W Smith. who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
attended except one, who was prevented by indisposition.

The Committee appointed to prepare a removal  
certificate for Olive Arnold have presented one, which  
is approved by the meeting, and the clerk is directed  
to sign the same on its behalf and forward it to  
Salem Mo. Meeting Iowa.

The following Certificate has been read, and accepted  
in this and the mens meeting

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Antionette M Palmgreene (with her children  
Sophia Antionette and Margaret Elizabeth both minors



having removed to reside within your limits requests our certificate.

We certify that they are members of our religious Society, She of an orderly life and conversation diligent in the attendance of meetings, has settled her outward affairs, and is clear of marriage engagements.

With desires for their advancement in the truth, we recommend them to your Christian care.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Swansea Monthly Meeting of Friends held 29<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1844.

Thomas Wilbur } Clerks  
Laura L. Chace }

We are informed through the medium of Providence Preparative Meeting that Eliza Wadsworth has for some time past neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and has frequented places of public amusement and we appoint Hannah C. Robinson & Lydia C. Smith to visit her on the account and report to our next meeting.

We are also informed through the same medium, that Mary Ann Weeks requests a removal certificate to Sidney Monthly Meeting, and Lydia Congdon & Phebe G. Peckham <sup>are appointed</sup> to prepare one if they find nothing to prevent, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Smithfield Preparative Meeting informs that Elizabeth Chace is not in unity with friends and we appoint Dorcas Paine Deborah Lewis and Elizabeth Meader to visit her and report to a future meeting.

Men friends inform that Allen Wing requests a removal certificate for himself & wife to Sidney Monthly Meeting - and Eunice Metcalf and Lydia C. Smith are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one if they find nothing to prevent to present to our next Mo. Meeting.

The following certificates have been read and accepted in this and the mens meeting - viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Jobnis Meader and his wife Phebe H. Meader having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting

and our certificate being requested on their behalf.  
This may certify that they are members of this meeting-  
exemplary in their deportment diligent in the attendance  
of meetings - and it appears that their outward affairs  
are settled to satisfaction.

With desires for their preservation and growth in the  
Truth, we recommend them with their child James John  
also a member of this meeting, to your Christian Care.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Dover  
Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester the  
24<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1844.

Olney Thompson } Clerks  
Lydia Thompson }

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

A certificate having been requested on  
behalf of Stephen Atwater, - Mary Atwater his wife, and  
their minor son Edward W. - we have made inquiry in  
relation to their temporal affairs and find nothing to  
prevent granting that request; we therefore recommend  
them as members of our religious Society to your  
Christian Care and regard.

Signed by direction of Rochester Monthly  
Meeting of Friends held at Whittland 7<sup>th</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1844

David Bell } Clerks  
Elizabeth Bell }

Asa Cornell - Correspondent

We have united with men friends in  
accepting a removal certificate from New Bedford Mo.  
Meeting on behalf of Olaff Palmgreene

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting - and the report of the Boarding School Committee  
have been read, by which it appears, that permission  
is granted to each Monthly Meeting of sending a scholar  
to the school one term free of expense - and we appoint  
Sarah F. Tobee, Mary R. Buxinton and Eunice Melcalf, to unite  
with a committee of men friends in selecting a suitable child to  
receive that privilege.

Sarah F. Tobee - Clerk



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 28<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Mary S Congdon  
and Mary Wilkinson. for Smithfield Deborah Scotts  
and Eunice Metcalf, who are present.

The Committee appointed to visit Eliza Hadsorth  
presented the following report - viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Pursuant to our appointment we have visited Eliza  
Hadsorth - She acknowledged the complaint brought  
against her was just, that she was acquainted with  
our discipline in relation to it, but did not give  
encouragement of conformity thereto more than hereto-  
fore, nor manifest any desire to be continued a member  
of the Society. We do not think further care in  
the case necessary, yet submit to the decision of  
the Meeting.

Hannah C. Robinson

Providence 25<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

Lydia C Smith

Said report being accepted in this and the mens  
Meeting, she is accordingly disowned from member-  
ship with us, and Mary R. Buffinton is appoin-  
ted to inform her of this decision

The friends named last month to prepare a  
removal certificate for Mary Ann Weeks have  
presented one which is satisfactory to the Meeting  
and the clerk is directed to sign the same on its  
behalf, and forward it to Sidney Monthly Meeting.

The Committee under appointment to visit  
Elizabeth Chase informs that they have not been  
successful of their appointment, but have not been  
able to give attention thereto.

The joint Committee appointed to prepare a removal  
certificate for Abner & Chas. Thine, presented one which  
is satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk is directed  
to sign the same on its behalf.

We have united with our friends in dismissing John D. Brown from membership with us.

Transcripts of epistles from London, Ireland and Ohio have been acceptably read at this time.

This Meeting having been requested by Friends Monthly Meeting New York, to extend care and advice on their account to Benjamin & Hays and wife, who are members of that Meeting the being within the limits of this. we appoint Lydia C. Smith, Lydia Congdon & Hannah C. Robinson to unite with a committee of New friends in visiting them, and report to a future meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey, - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Smithfield the 30<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1841

The representatives for Providence are Lucretia Chace & Lydia C. Smith. for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf & Deborah Jenks - present except one.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative Meetings from which we have selected such as we think descriptive of the present state of our Meeting and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Somerset by our friends Eunice Metcalf, Sarah F. Tobey & Mary W. Smith whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mander a Minister in unity with us, opened in this Meeting a prospect that had for some time rested with weight upon her mind, and increasing by so at last, of attending in the love of the Gospel the Quarterly Meetings of Buttermatts and Saratoga and of visiting a few of the meetings thence belonging.



and also of visiting the meetings constituting  
Herrington's Quarterly Meeting, and if way should  
open for it of appointing meetings amongst those  
not in religious profession with us.

The prospect plain, & our deliberations considered  
and was fully united with, and she left at liberty  
to spread them as truth may open the way.

Our Esteemed friend Phoebe H  
Meaden informed this Meeting that she apprehended  
it might be right for her to accompany our friend  
Elizabeth Meaden in her proposed visit within the  
limits of Butternutts, Saratoga and Herrington Quarters  
Meetings - which was united with she being a mem-  
ber in unity with us and the Clerk was directed to  
furnish her with a copy of this minute.

The Committee appointed to visit Eliza-  
beth Chace presented the following report viz  
which is accepted, and she accordingly disowned  
from membership with us, men. friends concurring  
thereto and Lydia Conner is appointed to inform  
her of this decision.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Pursuant to appointment we have visited  
Elizabeth Chace and had a full opportunity with  
her upon the subject of the complaint. She did  
not appear in a disposition to make friends satisfac-  
tion, and we united in judgment that further  
labour in the case will not be useful.

Providence 10th mo 25th 1844

Elizabeth Meaden

Deborah H. Senke

Dorcas Paine

The Committee appointed last Dec to visit Benjamin  
& Hays & wife informs that they have given attention  
to the subject but are not ready to report.

We have united with men friends in accepting  
a removal certificate from Benwick Monthly  
Meeting on the 1st of Joshua Buffum. 2nd

Manuscripts of epistles from New York Batten  
& Providence have been read at this time.

The time having expired for which the Clerks  
were appointed to serve this meeting, we appoint  
Rachel Congdon & Anna H. Perkins to confer with  
some friends for that station and propose them to  
our next Mtg. Meeting.

Sarah G. Ledy Clark

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 27th of 11th Mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Hannah B. Robinson  
and Penelope Brown, for Smithfield Patience  
Haskell & Anna S. Dennis who are present

The Committee appointed last month on the  
subject of Clerks report that they are united in propo-  
sing Sarah G. Ledy for Clerk & Anna S. Dennis as assistant  
which being united with by the meeting they are appoin-  
ted to that service for the ensuing year

In consequence of the meeting's being disturbed  
by some persons out of unity with Friends.

We adjourn to the 3rd hour this afternoon.

Afternoon Mtg. agreeably to adjournment.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that  
they attended to their appointment and had in  
charge for the meeting the following minutes -

We have assisted with some friends  
in granting permission to Providence Monthly  
Meeting to hold said meeting at Providence instead  
of alternately at Providence & Smithfield as before

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island  
Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence  
the 7th of 11th Mo 1844 - Sarah G. Ledy Clark -



The friend named last month to inform Elizabeth Chase of the decision of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto.

The Committee in case of Benjamin C Hayes & wife are not ready to report at this time.

A certificate from Leeds Monthly Meeting, Canada endorsed by Canada half year meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1844, on behalf of our friend Harriet Robinson, and one from Leeds Monthly Meeting held at York on behalf of his companion, George Lewis have been read, both of whom are acceptably in attendance of this meeting.

We are informed through the medium of our former preparative meeting, that Sarah Rogers has for a considerable time manifested a want of unity with Friends, and has lately identified herself with those who have recently set up what they denominated a preparative, Monthly and Quarterly Meeting, contrary to the discipline, good order and long established usage of our Society, and we appoint Hannah C Robinson Lydia C Smith & Sarah Metcalf to unite with a Committee of men friends in visiting her on the account, and report to our next meeting.

Our Esteemed friend John Meader returned at this time the minute granted him in 7<sup>th</sup> mo last with the information that he had been favoured to accomplish the service as therein expressed to the relief and peace of his own mind. He presented minutes from Windham, Fairfield & Passaboro Quarterly Meetings, and from China, Passaboro, and Litchfield Monthly Meetings expressing that his company and religious services had been acceptable to them.

We have united with men Friends in accepting the following certificate viz-

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of  
Providence Rhode Island

Dear Friends

Charles Atherton & Mary his  
wife, members of this meeting, having removed  
and settled within the compass of your; and  
upon inquiry made, it appears that his temporal  
concerns are settled to satisfaction.

We therefore recommend them and their  
daughter Deborah P. a minor, to your christian  
care, and remain with love your friends

Signed in and on behalf of the  
Monthly Meeting of New York, held Eleventh Month  
6th 1844.

Stephen Day

Correspondent

William Wood

Elizabeth W. Willis

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 25<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1844

The representatives for Providence are Mary D  
Gardner and Huldah A. Thaxter for Southfield  
Patience Haskell & Deborah Jentes - who  
are present

The Joint Committee appointed to visit  
John T. Kenyon - and Sarah his wife presented  
a report which was accepted and is as follows viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting

We your Committee appointed to visit John  
T. Kenyon & Sarah his wife on account of a  
complaint brought against them respectively  
report that we have had an interview with  
them and are united in the opinion, that further  
attention from us will not be useful.



The complaints were read to them with copies of the minutes of our appointment - but they declined having any communication with us, as a committee - stating they did not recognize Providence Monthly Meeting on whose behalf we were acting - thereby closing the way for any labors

Providence

12<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1844

Turner Haskell

James Dennis

Gilbert Congdon

Charles M. Paine

William A. Robinson

Sarah Melcalf

Lydia C. Smith

Hannah C. Robinson

They are accordingly disowned from membership with us, and Hannah C. Robinson & Huldah A. Meader are appointed to inform Sarah Kenyon of the decision of this meeting respecting her.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield Preparative Meeting, that Asenath Buffinton has manifested a want of unity with friends and has united with those who have set up what they denominate a Quarterly Monthly & Conference Meeting, contrary to the good order, and long established discipline of our Society - and we appoint Dorcas Paine and Deborah Tenkes to visit her on the account and report to our next Meeting.

We have united with our friends in accepting the following certificate. - viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Amos Thompson having removed with his family, viz - his wife Lydia Thompson, and adopted Daughter Maria Sinkham to reside within the limits of your Meeting and requested an certificate

This may certify on their behalf that they are members of this Meeting, exemplar in their lives

and conversation, and diligent in the attendance of Meetings. — Their secular affairs are settled to satisfaction as far as appears.

Olney being a Minister and Lydia an Elder in good esteem with us — As such, with desires for their preservation in the Truth, we recommend them to your Christian care.

Signed by direction and on behalf of,  
Our Monthly Meeting of Friends held at  
Rochester 14th mo 29th 1844

Benjamin H Jones }  
Ruth Sawyer } Clks

The following address from the Meeting for Sufferings, has been acceptably read at this time viz.

To the Preparative, Monthly and Quarterly Meetings of Friends within the limits of  
New England Yearly Meeting.  
Dear Friends—

In the discharge of the important duties devolving upon this Meeting, in the recess of the Yearly Meeting, we feel it to be incumbent upon us at this time to address you, and inform you of some of the deeply painful circumstances that have transpired in Society since our last Yearly Meeting, in the progress of that separating spirit that is producing divisions among us.

In Swarney Monthly Meeting, for a long time past there has been a want of that love and unity which are essential to the right conducting of the affairs of Truth. More than two years since, Committees were appointed in that Meeting to propose the names of Clerks and Overseers of Society, but they were unable to agree Friends for those Stations. The state of this



Meeting, had claimed the attention of the Yearly Meeting's Committee, and also of a Committee of Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting, previous to our last Yearly Meeting; and much labor had been bestowed by them to remedy the existing difficulties and to produce that organization of the meeting that would enable it to carry into effect the Discipline - the administration of which had been seriously interrupted.

The Committee appointed at our last Yearly Meeting "to assist and advise such meetings and members as circumstances may require and way open for," with a number of the Quarterly Meeting's Committee then under appointment, met with these two Committees of the Monthly Meeting in the 7<sup>th</sup> month and united with a part of them in their proposing to the meeting the names of certain friends for Clerks and Overseers. With the exception of two or three individuals, all the members of these Committees of the Monthly Meeting either united with the names proposed or expressed their acquiescence therein. They were accordingly reported by those Committees and the report was fully united with by the large body of the members of that Meeting. A few individuals opposed it, and the Clerk, who was one of this number, refused to record the clearly expressed sense of the meeting; although earnestly advised to do so by the Yearly Meeting's Committee in attendance. The condition of this meeting as it then stood was presented to the Quarterly Meeting in the 8<sup>th</sup> month.



which again appointed a Committee to visit Swanzy Monthly Meeting and assist in its due organization, that our Christian Discipline might be supported, as in former days, to the honor of Youth.

At the following Monthly Meeting, the individual who had previously acted as Clerk still persisting in attempting to hold that station contrary to the fully expressed of the meeting and of the Quarterly Meeting's Committee, and of the earnest entreaty and advice of the Yearly Meeting's Committee - and the Monthly Meeting having again at this time (with the exception of those individuals who had manifested their opposition at the last meeting) united in the appointment as Clerk of the friend who had been selected at the previous meeting, he proceeded to open the meeting, and the Representatives from all the Preparative Meetings presented to him the Reports from those Meetings, and all answered to the calling of their names. Notwithstanding this decision of the meeting, the former Clerk continued to sit at the table and to form and read minutes; and to prevent confusion, Friends, after having read the minute of the Quarterly Meeting appointing its Committee adjourned to a later hour in the afternoon - by far the larger part of the men's meeting, and all the women withdrawing from the house and mostly again assembling at the hour of adjournment to transact the business of the meeting. The persons who sustained the former Clerk in his



decision against the judgment of the meeting), with several women who were also disaffected towards Society, continued to hold what they call Monthly Meetings, and at Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting, in the 11<sup>th</sup> month, they presented an account purporting to come from Swanzy Monthly Meeting, which was not received or in any way acknowledged. After the business of the Quarterly Meeting was concluded, these individuals, with a few from the other Monthly Meetings, both men and women, most of whom had for a length of time openly manifested a want of unity with Friends, remained in the house and called themselves Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting, appointing Clerks and a Committee to visit Subordinate Meetings.

This Committee thus appointed has since visited the Monthly Meetings and attempted to sit in them and to be recognised as a Committee from the Quarterly Meeting, organized as we have described in a wholly unprecedented and irregular manner. Most of them being already under dealing as offenders in their respective <sup>Monthly</sup> Meetings and refusing to leave Friends select, for the support of our Discipline adjournment has been resorted to in order to be freed from this intrusion.

A few individuals have been found in each of the Monthly Meetings in Rhode-Island Quarter who, being disaffected towards the body of Friends, have, under the advisement of this Committee, united in forming what they denominate Monthly Meetings, assuming to themselves the names of those Meetings respectively.

Thus, dear friends, a division in Society



has taken place within the limits of Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting; but we are comforted in being able to state that the great body of Friends remain united together, concerned for the support of the ancient principles, testimonies and discipline of our religious Society.

The cause of this schism we apprehend is to be found in a spirit of disaffection and desire for individual liberty that is not willing to submit to that necessary subordination, recognized in our Discipline: of inferior to Superior meetings, and of each member to the body, which has ever been found essential to the welfare and preservation of our religious Society.

Attempts are strenuously made by the Separatists to fasten upon the Yearly Meeting, and those who do not unite with them, a charge of unsoundness in our fundamental principles - an accusation which we are fully assured is entirely unfounded in fact - as we have abundant evidence of the unabated concern of Friends to maintain inviolate the ancient doctrines and testimonies of our religious Society as professed and sustained by our worthy predecessors in the Truth, and to support our Christian Discipline.

As a manifestation of the care of Friends to hold up to view those Gospel Truths which we do most solemnly believe and which have ever been received by us as a people, we would refer to divers documents that have been issued by the Yearly



Meeting or Meeting for Sufferings within the past few years, in which Friends are exhorted not only to hold fast to those ancient and established principles and testimonies of our Society, but faithfully cautioned against giving any countenance to the receiving or spreading of unsound doctrines, either by reading or circulating books containing them or otherwise. The documents to which we specially allude are a "Minute of the Yearly Meeting" in 1836- "An Epistle to the members of the Society of Friends of New-England Yearly Meeting from the Meeting for Sufferings" in 1838- the Introduction to the "Memorials of Deceased Friends" published in 1841, as well as the Appendix thereto, being a reprint of "The Testimony of the Society of Friends on the Continent of America" and "An Essay on some of the prominent Doctrines and Testimonies of Friends", issued by the Yearly Meeting in 1843.

These candid, full and explicit declarations, and the continued care that has been manifested by Friends individually to observe the recommendations contained in them, leave those without excuse who still persist in charging upon Society a dereliction from the principles of our predecessors in religious profession.

Efforts, we have cause to believe, are exerted in other Quarterly Meetings to extend the spirit of disaffection and to produce division among Friends- and these efforts are often masked under the very plausible pretext of a concern for the support of the ancient principles and testimonies of our religious Society. We feel it to be our duty affectionately to



entreat and solemnly to warn Friends  
to beware of being taken in the snare  
that is spread for them. Brethren - be  
not deceived. May the great Head of  
the Church in His mercy still conde-  
scend to watch over and direct us as  
individuals and as a body, that we may  
be preserved from falling.

In order that no embarrassment may  
be experienced by Friends in determin-  
ing what Meetings are in unity with  
the Society we have appointed the  
following correspondents to act until  
the time of our next Yearly Meeting,  
by whom all documents issued by their  
respective meetings are to be signed, in  
addition to the usual signatures of  
the Clerks; and any paper purport-  
ing to come from either of those meetings,  
not signed by the appointed correspondents  
should be deemed as spurious - viz:

For Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting --- Thomas Howland  
For Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting --- Jethro F. Mitchell  
For Greenwich Monthly Meeting --- Rowland Greene  
For Swansea Monthly Meeting --- Oliver Earle  
For Providence Monthly Meeting --- Samuel Boyd Tobey

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meet-  
ing for Sufferings of New-England Yearly  
Meeting, held at Providence, by adjournment,  
the 6<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month, 1844

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Clerk

Ms. Meader's  
minute re-  
turned.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader re-  
turned at this time the certificate granted  
her in 10<sup>th</sup> mo. last with the information that  
she had been favored to accomplish the ser-  
vice as therein expressed to the entire relief  
and peace of her own mind - She present.



ed minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of Buttermills & Saratoga and from Harksboro & Ferrisburgh Monthly Meetings expressing that her company and religious labors had been acceptable to them.

Our beloved friend Phoebe H. Meader returned at this time the minute furnished her by this meeting in 10<sup>th</sup> mo. last - as companion to our friend Elizabeth Meader also turned presented minutes from Buttermills & Saratoga Quarterly Meetings and from Ferrisburgh & Harksboro monthly meetings expressing that her company had been acceptable to them.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friend  
held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo. 1845

The representatives for Providence are Lucretia Chace & Eliza F. Bowen - for Smithfield Patience Haskell and Mary W. Smith - all present.

The Inquiries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative Meetings, from which we have selected such as we think descriptive of the present state of our meeting and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Hannah C. Robinson Dorcas Paine and Elizabeth Longdon whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed last month to visit Asenath Buffinton presented a report which was accepted and is as follows viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting  
The your Committee have visited Asenath Buffinton agreeable to appointment conversed with her on the subject of her transgression

She expressed with much firmness, a belief that the path she was walking appeared clearly the only right way pointed out for her.

We are therefore united in believing that further labour with her will not be useful - which we submit to the Socy. Meeting.

Dorcas Paine

Smithfield 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1846 Deborah H. Jenkins

She is accordingly disowned from membership with us men friends concurring therein, and Lydia B. Smith & Mary W. Smith are appointed to inform her of this decision

Providence preparative Meeting proposes Lydia Thompson Sarah F. Tobey & Hulda A. Maden for overseers of Society and Mercy Wilkinson and Mary R. Buffinton for overseers of the poor, and Smithfield preparative Meeting proposes Sarah Melcatt Eunice Melcatt & Deborah Jenkins for Overseers of Society and Patience Haskell and Mary W. Smith for overseers of the poor, which being approved by this Meeting they are appointed to the service for the ensuing year.

Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this meeting with a minute from St. Albans Monthly Meeting expressive of their unity with him in his present religious engagement his company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend David Douglas companion to David Dudley acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from St. Albans Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Samuel Taylor attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sidney Monthly Meeting, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us.



The friends appointed to inform Sarah T. Kenyon of the decision of this meeting respecting her, have attended thereto.

We have united with men friends in disowning Nathan Buffinton and Samuel Chace from membership with us.

Sarah T. Tobey, Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 26<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1849.

The representatives for Providence are Lydia C. Smith & Penelope Brown, for Smithfield Dorcas Paine Jan and Anna S. Dennis. who being called are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The friends named last month to inform Asenath Buffinton of the decision of this meeting respecting her, have attended thereto.

We have united with men friends in granting the request of William M. Davidson and receiving him into membership with us.

This meeting unites with men friends in disowning Harry Chace and Isaac Fisk from membership with us.

We are informed that Tobias Meader has requested a removal certificate for himself and family to Dover Monthly Meeting and we appoint Lydia C. Smith and Sarah T. Tobey to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing one to present to our next meeting.

A manuscript of an epistle from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

Sarah T. Tobey, Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 26<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1845. The representatives  
for Providence are Hannah C. Robinson and  
Penelope Brown - for Smithfield Eunice Metcalf  
& Anna H. Dennis - who are present.

The committee appointed to visit Benjamin  
E. Hayes and wife, presented a report which is  
accepted & is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting

We your committee appointed to visit Benjamin  
E. Hayes & wife on account of a communication  
from Granville Monthly Meeting - report that  
we have attended to our appointment and propose  
that the subjoined communication should be  
made to that Meeting

Joseph Metcalf  
Providence 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1845 Samuel Boyd Tobey  
Gideon C. Smith  
Hannah C. Robinson  
Lydia C. Smith

To Granville Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Your communication of 11<sup>th</sup> mo last  
addressed to this meeting in relation to Benjamin  
E. Hayes & wife was received, and we appointed a  
committee to treat with them on account of it, as  
requested by you.

Benjamin represents, that in consequence of  
sickness of himself & family, and some losses,  
his affairs became embarrassed, and with the  
advice of some of his friends he made an assignment  
of all his property to his creditors, four in number  
naming them all in the assignment and reserving  
nothing but his furniture & tools - As by his state-  
ment it appears that no preference was given in his  
assignment to one creditor over another, our dis-  
in that respect has not been violated - The reason



he assigns for leaving the State privately was to avoid the application of a law to him, which in his case would have been oppressive, without being beneficial to his creditors.

We submit the foregoing as the result of our inquiries & labor in the case and remain your friends.

The Committee appointed last month to prepare a removal Certificate for Tobias Meader & family presented one which was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf.

We have united with our friends in granting permission to Providence Particular Meeting to meet at the 4<sup>th</sup> hour from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> mo - instead of the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour as formerly.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins a Minister in unity with us, spread before this meeting a concern that rested with weight upon her mind, of attending in Gospel love, the approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends in Philadelphia and such meetings as come in course on the way going & returning - Her prospect claimed our deliberate and solid consideration and was fully and feelingly united with and she encouraged to proceed therein as Truth may direct. - The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

It appears necessary that some care should be extended to Fortunate Meeting - we appoint Elizabeth Meader Lydia B. Smith & Eunice Metcalfe to unite with a committee of our Friends in taking into consideration the state of said meeting, and report to our next Meeting -

Sarah S. Tacey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1845. The representatives for  
Providence are Huldah A. Meader & Sarah I. Tobey  
for Smithfield Mary W. Smith & Dorcas Parin-  
all present.

The Inquiries have been read with answers from  
each of our preparative meetings from which we  
have selected general answers, which we forward  
to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Greenwich  
by our Friends Mary B. Buffinton Mary W. Smith  
& Lydia Thompson whom we appoint our  
representatives.

The following certificate has been read & accepted viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Certificate for Rebecca A. Sturges, the wife of Thomas  
O. Sturges having removed within the limits of your  
Meeting request our Certificate.

A. Sturges This may certify on her behalf that she is a  
member of this meeting, of an orderly life, and a  
frequent attendant of meetings.

We therefore recommend her to your Christian care  
and attention, and remain, your Friends

Signed on behalf of Sandwich Monthly Meeting  
of Friends, held at Sandwich 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1845.

Reverell Hoxie  
Hepribah W. Swift } Clerk,

We have united with men-friends in disowning  
Darius D. Lator from membership with us.

The Committee appointed last month to extend  
care to Scituate Meeting presented a report which is  
accepted-and we appoint Lydia Thompson Huldah  
A. Meader Lydia C. Smith Eunice Metcalf Elizabeth  
Meader Sarah I. Tobey and Penelope Brown to unite  
with a Committee of men-friends in extending  
further care to said Meeting-and report  
when ready.



Our esteemed friend John Thacker a minister in  
unity with us, opened in this meeting a prospect that  
rested with weight upon his mind of attending in  
Gospel love the approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends  
in New York - His prospect claimed our deliberate  
consideration and was fully united with - and the  
clerk was directed to sign a minute prepared for him  
by men Friends.

Sarah H. Tobey. Clerk

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 2<sup>d</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1845.

The representatives for Providence are Lydia K. Smith  
& Maria Haws - for Smithfield Elizabeth H. Paine and  
Susan M. Thore - present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report  
that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins returned  
at this time the certificate furnished her by this  
Meeting in 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo last, with the information that  
she had been favoured to accomplish the service as  
therein expressed - and to return with a peaceful mind.

She also presented a minute from the 2<sup>nd</sup> months  
meeting of Friends held at Congenes in France the  
3<sup>rd</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1844, expressing that her company and  
religious labours amongst them had been truly  
acceptable and edifying.

The following Certificate has been read and  
accepted - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Emmy R. Stevens wife of Nathan  
Stevens having removed to live within the limits  
of your meeting, requests our certification. This we  
certify on her behalf that she is a member of our

religious Society and her temporal concerns are  
adjusted to satisfaction as far as appears. as such  
we recommend her to your Christian care and  
oversight, and are your friends.

Signed by direction of Swansea Monthly  
Meeting of Friends held 24<sup>th</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1845.

David Thome }  
Chas. East } Laura L. Chace } Clerk.  
Correspondent

We have united with men Friends in disowning  
William Harris jr from membership with us.

We have also united with men Friends in  
accepting a removal certificate from New  
Bedford Monthly Meeting on behalf of Peter  
M. Palmgreene.

The London printed epistle of last year has  
been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Sobey - Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1845. The representatives for  
Providence are Mercy Wilkinson and Lydia Congdon  
for Smithfield Willy Paine & Patience Haskell  
who are all present.

Smithfield preparative Meeting informs  
that Mary G. Melcalf (formerly Haskell) has connected  
herself in marriage with one not a member of our  
religious Society - and we appoint Huldah A. Meader  
& Lydia Thompson to visit her on the account and  
report to our next meeting.

A certificate from Hull Monthly Meeting on  
behalf of our beloved friend Isabel Carson endorsed  
by York Quarterly Meeting and one from the meeting  
of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjourn-  
ments on the 22<sup>d</sup> & 23<sup>d</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo & the 3<sup>d</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1845, and one  
from Darlington Monthly Meeting endorsed by



Darlington Quarterly Meeting, with one from the meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London on behalf of our beloved friend John Pease have been read - both of whom are in attendance of this meeting and their company & Gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us -

A minute from Wellesington Monthly Meeting of Friends, Detwain - on behalf of our esteemed friend Samuel Hillis companion to John Pease has also been read, he is acceptably in attendance of this meeting -

We have united with men friends in disowning Henry Haskell from membership with us.

We have also united with them in accepting a removal certificate from Swansea Mo. Meeting on behalf of William Robinson.

This meeting is informed that Samuel Harris having removed with his family to reside in the city of New York requests our certificate - and we appoint Lydia Congdon & Elizabeth Meader to unite with a committee of men friends, in preparing one to present to our next meeting -

Para L. F. Tobey. Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 30th of 4th mo 1845 - The representatives for Providence are Mary D Congdon & Phoebe G Peckham for Smithfield Deborah H Jewkes & Dorcas Paine all present -

The queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from each of our preparative meetings from which we have selected such as we think descriptive of our present state, and forwarded them to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth by our friends Dorcas Paine Elizabeth Meader and Deborah H Jewkes whom we appoint our representatives to attend said meeting!

The committee appointed last month to visit Mary T. Metcalf inform that they have given attention to the subject but are not ready to report.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting to its Quarterly & Monthly Meeting and to individuals members of the Society of Friends has been received and read.

Our esteemed friend John Meader returned at this time the certificate furnished by this meeting in Sept<sup>r</sup> last with the information that he had been favored to accomplish the service then in prospect - he also presented a minute from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders in New York - expressing that his company & religious services had been acceptable to them - which is satisfactory to us -

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Samuel Harris & wife - presented one which was approved by the meeting and the clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf.

We have united with many friends in accepting the report of their committee in case of John Tenkes & in receiving him into membership.

Our beloved friend John Meader a Minister in unity with us, opened in this meeting a prospect that had for a length of time rested with weight upon his mind, of attending the approaching Yearly Meetings of Indiana & Ohio - and of visiting some meetings within their limits - and if way should open for it, of visiting most of the meetings of Friends in the northern & western part of New York - His prospect claiming the deliberate and solid consideration of this meeting was fully united with - and the clerk was directed to sign on its behalf a minute prepared for him by many friends.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 27<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1845. The representatives for  
Providence are Huldah A. Mead & Mary B. Buffinton  
For Smithfield Eunice Metcalf & Milly Paine - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
except one who was prevented by indisposition in  
her family.

The committee in case of Mary T. Metcalf are not  
ready to report.

A certificate forwarded by this to Salem Monthly  
Meeting on behalf of Mary T. Eldridge, and her daughter  
Mary T. with the following minute from Salem  
Monthly Meeting has been received and accepted  
our friends concurring therein viz.

A certificate of removal on behalf of Mary T. Eldridge  
and her daughter Mary T. from Providence Monthly  
Meeting (meeting) having been sometime since forwarded to us,  
as they have never attended our meeting, and it being  
now ascertained that they have removed to Providence,  
the clerk is directed to return said certificate  
with a copy of this minute.

Extracted from the minutes of Salem Monthly  
Meeting of Women Friends held at Salem 10<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1845.

Eliza B. Boyce - Clerk -

Our esteemed friend Cornelius Douglas attended  
this meeting with a certificate from Bassalboro  
Monthly Meeting endorsed by Bassalboro Quarterly  
Meeting - expressing their unity with him in  
his present religious engagement - his company  
and services have been acceptable to us.

A removal certificate from Smithfield Monthly  
Meeting on behalf of Calvin Knowles & his wife Maria  
has been read and accepted.

We have united  
with men friends in disowning John T. Black for immorality.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting & the report of the Boarding School Com-  
mittee have been read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1845 - The representatives for  
Providence are Penelope Brown & Mary D Congdon  
for Smithfield Estlin & Harrells Deborah L. H.  
Senks. who are present except one - for whom absence  
a satisfactory reason is assigned.

The committee under appointment to visit  
Mary T. Metcalf presented the following report - viz -

Pursuant to our appointment we have  
visited Mary T. Metcalf on the subject of complaint  
against her; she manifests no desire to remain a  
member of our society, and in our judgment further  
labour would be unnecessary.

Mary T. Metcalf  
disowned

Gydia Thompson

9<sup>th</sup> mo 12<sup>th</sup> 1845

Huldah A. Meader

This report being accepted and men friends uniting  
therein, she is disowned from membership with us  
and Eunice Metcalf is appointed to inform her of  
this decision.

It appearing by extracts from the minutes  
of our last Yearly Meeting & the report of the Boarding  
School Committee, that permission is granted to  
each Monthly Meeting of sending a Scholar to the  
School one term free of expense - we appoint  
Mary W. Smith & Mary T. Buffinton to unite with  
a committee of men friends in selecting a  
suitable child to receive that privilege.

Transcripts of epistles from London  
Baltimore & Indiana have been acceptably  
read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk -



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 29<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo. 1845. The representatives for  
Providence are Hannah B. Robinson & Hannah Buffinton  
for Smithfield Elizabeth Prince & Anna S. Dennis who  
are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> and  
2<sup>nd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative Meetings and a  
Summary collected therefrom which we forward  
to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Taunton by  
our friends Eunice Metcalf Dorcas B. Robinson & Lydia  
Thompson whom we appoint our representatives.

The friend appointed to inform Mary S. Metcalf  
of the decision of this meeting respecting her has uttered  
"deed thereto."

The joint committee appointed to extend some care  
to Scituate Meeting present the following report viz

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

The committee appointed to extend some care to  
Scituate Meeting report, that we have continued to  
attend this meeting and have conferred with several  
of the concerned members thereof relative to the apprehension  
expressed in our last report, that the time  
was near at hand, when some change in regard to  
holding a meeting at this place would be advisable.

We find these Friends prepared to unite with us in  
the judgment, that it may be for the best interests of  
the society to discontinue for the present the holding  
of this meeting after first day next.

Whilst we make this proposal to the Monthly  
Meeting, in view of the reduced number, and feeble  
health of the members of that meeting, and also of  
other circumstances in which it is placed; we feel  
much sympathy for the friends located in  
that vicinity; and would recommend them  
to the Christian regard of their Brethren and  
Sisters, desiring their confidence may continue  
in the great Head of the Church, who will not

for sake those who trust in Him -

On behalf of the Committee

John Meader

Gilbert Congdon

Elizabeth Meader

Lydia C. Smith

This report being accepted the meeting is accordingly after First Day next to be discontinued for the present.

Our esteemed friend John Meader returned to this meeting the certificate furnished him in 9th Mo last with the information that he had accomplished such portion of the service as was opened for, to the entire peace and comfort of his own mind - he presented a minute from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in Indiana, and one from Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Goshen expressing that his company and Gospel labours amongst them, had been satisfactory and edifying.

Transcripts of epistles from Ohio and New York have been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah H. Tobey. Clerk.

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Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 25th of 11th Mo 1845 -

The representatives for Providence are Eliza Bowen & Elizabeth Congdon, for Smithfield Deborah H. Jenkes & Lydia B. Metcalf who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended agreeably to appointment.

We are informed through the medium of Providence Preparative Meeting, that Anna Fisk has neglected the attendance of our meetings, and united with those who have set up separate meetings contrary to their good order and established usage of



our religious society, and we appoint Eunice Metcalf and Mary W Smith to visit her on the account and report to our next meeting.

We are also informed through the same medium that Mary Black has for a considerable time, entirely neglected the attendance of our meetings for discipline and manifested her disunity with their proceedings in divers particulars, and also with the Society, in relation to the support of several of our religious testimonies - and we appoint Deborah H Jenkins & Elizabeth Meader to visit her on the account and report to our next meeting.

We have united with men friends in accepting the following certificate - viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends,

Dear Friends

Benjamin C Hayes and Lydia his wife having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting - these are therefore to certify on their behalf, that they are members of Friends Society and of this Meeting, we therefore recommend them to your Christian care & oversight, and remain your friends.

Signed by direction of Granville Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> Mo 1845

Haris Otis

Jonathan W. Potter

Correspondent

Vesta Potter

} Clerk for the day

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed to serve this meeting Lydia Thompson Eunice Metcalf and Lydia C Smith, are appointed to confer with some friends for that station and propose them to our next meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24th of 12th mo 1843. ~~for~~ Representatives for  
Providence are Penelope Brown & Hannah L. Brown  
for Smithfield Susan M. Stone & Eunice Melcalf  
who are present.

The Committee appointed last month on the  
subject of clerics inform, that they have given some  
attention to the subject, but are not prepared to  
propose names for the year - and the former clerks  
were appointed for the day.

The committee appointed to visit Anna Fisk  
presented the following report viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends.  
In pursuance of appointment we have visited  
Anna Fisk - she treated us respectfully but informed  
us that she had relinquished the attendance of our  
religious meetings, and united with those who have  
seceded from Friends, and set up meetings contrary  
to our Christian discipline. We think further  
labor in her case would not be useful.

Eunice Melcalf

Mary W. Smith

this report being accepted, men friends concurring  
therein, she is accordingly disowned from membership  
with us, and Huldah A. Meader is appointed to inform  
her of this decision.

The committee under appointment to visit Mary  
Clark presented a report which is accepted and  
is with the concurrence of men friends disowned  
from membership with us - Anna T. Dennis is ap-  
pointed to inform her of this decision.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
In pursuance of appointment we have visited Mary  
Clark on account of the complaint. She appeared  
disposed to justify herself in the course which she  
has taken, and manifested no disposition to make



friends satisfaction, and we are united in the belief  
that further labour would not be useful which we  
submit to the meeting

Elizabeth Meader  
Deborah H. Jenkins

We are informed that George Allen requests a removal  
certificate for himself and family to Dartmouth  
at the meeting and we appoint Frank Butler & John  
Thompson to unite with a committee of men Friends  
in preparing one to present to our next meeting.

Transcripts of epistles from Philadelphia & North  
Carolina have been read at this time.

We have united with men friends in the appointment  
of Amos Thompson & William Jenkins to the station  
of elders.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1846. The representatives for Providence  
are Lydia C. Smith & Patience Haskell for Smithfield  
Mary H. Smith & Mary Evans - who are present.

The Quires have been read with answers to the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
& 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings and a  
summary collected therefrom which we forward to the  
Quarterly Meeting next to be held in Providence to  
Lydia Chubberson Dorcas Paine & Mary H. Buffinton whom  
we appoint our representatives.

The friend named last month to acquaint Anna Fisk  
with the decision of this meeting respecting her, informs that  
she has not been reminded of her appointment, but way  
has not opened for her to attend to it.

The friend appointed to inform Mary H. Clark of the  
decision of this meeting in her case, has attended thereto.

Providence preparative meeting proposes John Thompson  
Huldah A. Meader & Sarah F. Tobey for overseers of Society

And Mercy Wilkinson & Mary W Buffinton for overseers of the poor. and Smithfield preparative meeting proposes Dorcas Paine Sarah Metcalf and Deborah H. Denkes for overseers of Society and Catherine Hartwell and Mary W Smith for overseers of the poor, which being approved by this meeting, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The committee appointed last month to prepare a removal certificate for George Almy & Elizabeth his wife presented one which was approved by the meeting and the clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 25<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1846. The representatives for Providence are Phoebe & Peckham & Lydia Thompson for Smithfield Mary Metcalf & Anna J. Dennis. who being called are all present.

The committee on the subject of Clerks report that they are united in proposing Sarah F. Tobey for clerk and Dorcas B. Robinson assistant. which being approved by the meeting they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended agreeably to appointment.

The friend appointed to inform Anna Fiske of the conclusion of this meeting respecting her, has attended thereto.

The following certificate has been read and accepted - viz.  
To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Margaret F. Taft wife of Ormus Taft, having removed to reside within the limits of your meeting requests our certificate. This bears testimony on her behalf that she is a member of this meeting, of orderly life and conversation, and frequent in the



attendance of meetings; as such we recommend her to your  
Christian care, and are your friends.

Signed in and on behalf of Roxbridge Monthly  
Meeting held at Roxbridge 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Benjamin Wheeler

Correspondent

Richard Battey Clerk for the day  
Ann B. Earle Clerk for the day

Sarah J. Goby Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 25<sup>th</sup>  
of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1846 - The representatives for Providence are Penelope  
Brown. Huldah A. Meader - for Smithfield Patience Huskell  
& Dorcas Paine, who being called are present except two, - for the  
absence of one a satisfactory reason is assigned.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader a minister in unity  
with us, opened in this meeting a prospect that rested with  
weight upon her mind of attending in gospel love the approaching  
Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in New York - of visiting  
some of the meetings composing Westbury, Purchase & Nine-  
Porters Quarterly Meetings - and as way may open for it,  
of appointing a few meetings amongst those not members  
of our Society. Her prospect claiming our solid  
consideration was fully united with, and she left at  
liberty to proceed therein as Truth may open the way.

We have united with our Friends in accepting a  
removal certificate from Swansea Mo. Meeting on behalf  
of Jonathan Ineborn and his minor children Charles Scott  
Eliza Abner & Benjamin Ineborn.

Sarah J. Goby - Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo. 1846. The representatives for Providence  
are Hannah C. Robinson & Eliza F. Bowen for Smithfield  
Eunice Metcalf & Elizabeth Sims. present except one  
for whose absence a satisfactory reason is given.

The Queries have been read with answers from each  
of our preparative meetings, from which we have selected  
such as we think descriptive of the present state of this  
meeting and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next  
to be held at Greenwich by our friends Elizabeth Hoader  
Sarah F. Tobey & Dorcas Paine whom we appoint our  
representatives.

The following certificate has been read & accepted. viz.  
To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Letitia M. Reed having for a length of  
time been a resident in your monthly meeting, we think  
best to furnish her with a removal certificate.

This is to certify on her behalf that she is a member of  
this meeting, and was of an orderly deportment while with  
us; we now recommend her to your christian care, and  
are your friends.

Signed in and by direction of Wren Monthly  
Meeting of Friends, held at Wren 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1846.

Eliza F. Bowen - - - - - Eliza F. Bowen Jr  
Correspondent - - - - - Hannah Paige Jr } Clerks

Our beloved friend Hannah C. Robinson informed  
this meeting that she had a prospect of attending the  
approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in  
New York - she being a member of this meeting in  
unity with us - The Clerk is directed to furnish  
her with a copy of this minute.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
24<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1846. The representatives for Providence  
are Elizabeth Congdon and Clara F. Bowen, for Smithfield  
Patience Haskell and Deborah H. Jenks - who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report  
that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1846. The representatives for Providence  
are Penelope Brown & Mercy Wilkinson - who are present - the  
account from Smithfield not received.

Our Esteemed friend Hannah C. Robinson returned  
at this time the minute furnished <sup>her</sup> in 4<sup>th</sup> month last to  
attend New York Yearly Meeting, with an endorsement from that  
meeting, stating, that her company had been acceptable to them.

We have united with our friends in accepting  
a removal certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting  
on behalf of Robert Steer.

This meeting being informed that Margaret A. Taft  
has requested a removal certificate from this to Weybridge  
Monthly Meeting - we appoint Lydia C. Smith and Lydia  
Thompson to prepare one if they find nothing to prevent  
and present to our next meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1846. The representatives  
for Providence are Lydia Congdon & Hulda A.  
Meador, for Smithfield Patience Haskell and  
Deborah H. Parker, who being called are absent.

The clerk being absent Dorcas B. Robinson is  
appointed to serve for the day.

The Journals have been read in this meeting with  
answers from the preparative meeting to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>  
& 10<sup>th</sup> and a Summary has been prepared therefrom  
which we forward to our next Quarterly Meeting to be  
held at Portsmouth, by Lydia Thompson Patience  
Haskell & Hulda A. Meador whom we appoint  
our representatives.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meador returned  
at this time the minute granted her by this meeting  
in 3<sup>rd</sup> mo last, with an endorsement from the Yearly  
Meeting of Ministers & Elders of New York, stating  
her company and religious services had been accepted  
to them - also the information that she had accom-  
plished this visit, to the satisfaction and peace of  
her own mind.

Our beloved friend John Meador opened in the  
meeting a prospect which had rested with weight  
upon his mind, of attending the Yearly Meetings of  
Baltimore and North Carolina, of visiting a few meetings  
within their limits, and it was thought of appoint-  
ing some amongst those not in profession with  
us which claiming the solicitude deliberations of this  
meeting is fully united with, and he left at liberty  
to pursue his prospect as Truth may direct.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal  
certificate for Margaret S. Taft presented one which  
was approved by the meeting, and the clerk was directed  
to sign the same on its behalf, and forward to to  
Uxbridge Monthly Meeting.

Dorcas B. Robinson - Clerk for the day



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
26th of 3th month 1846. The representatives for Providence  
are Mary A. Buffinton & Eliza P. Bowen for Smithfield  
Eunice Metcalf & Dorcas Paine Jr - who being called are  
present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
agreeably to appointment.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting  
and the report of the Boarding School Committee have  
been read at this time, by which it appears that permis-  
sion is granted to each Monthly Meeting of sending a  
scholar one term free of expense as last year and we  
appoint Elizabeth Meader & Lydia Congdon to unite with  
a committee of men friends in selecting a suitable  
child to receive that privilege.

An epistle from our last Yearly Meeting to its Quar-  
terly & Monthly Meeting, - and the London printed  
epistle of last year, have been received and acceptably  
read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey. Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 23rd of 9th mo. 1846. The representatives for  
Providence are Lydia Congdon & Lydia Thompson  
for Smithfield Deborah H. Jenkes & Mary Metcalf  
who are present.

The clerk being absent Dorcas B. Robinson is appoi-  
nted for the day,

We have united with men friends in accepting a  
certificate on behalf of George L. Collins.

This meeting is informed that Jonathan Freeborn  
request a removal certificate for himself and two  
minor children to Greenwich Monthly Meeting - we  
appoint Lydia Congdon & Elizabeth Meader to unite with  
men friends in preparing one to present to our next Mo. Meeting.

Dorcas B. Robinson Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 10th mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1846. The representatives are  
for Providence Sarah H. Reynolds, and Deborah  
Stevens, for Smithfield Patience Haskell and  
Susan M. Shaw, who are present except one.  
The clerk being absent Dorcas B. Robinson is appointed  
for the day;

The Surveys have been read with answers to the  
1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings  
and a summary collected therefrom which we  
forward to our next Quarterly meeting to be held  
at Somerset by Lydia Thompson Mary W. Smith  
and Eunice Metcalf

We are informed by Providence preparative  
Meeting that Lucy Chase has for a considerable  
length of time neglected the attendance of our meetings  
for worship and discipline and attended with those  
who have set up a separate meeting from this,  
manifesting open disunity with Friends and no  
disposition to change her course, we appoint  
Dorcas Pain & Eunice Metcalf to visit her on the  
account and report next month.

We are also informed by the same meeting  
that Alice Chase daughter of Buffum Chase  
has for some time entirely neglected the atten-  
dance of our meetings and united with those  
who have seceded from society and manifested  
no wish to retain her membership with us -  
Hannah B. Robinson and Lydia B. Smith are  
appointed to visit her on the account and report next  
month. A removal certificate for Jonathan Freeborn  
& his two minor children to Greenwich Mo. Meeting was  
presented read & approved & the clerk directed to sign the same.

We have united with men friends in accepting the  
report of their committee in case of Joseph Harris.

Dorcas B. Robinson clerk for the day



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1846. The representatives are  
for Providence Huldah A. Meader & Hannah Lawrence  
for Smithfield Maria Smith & Mary W. Smith.  
Present except one.

The clerk being absent Dorcas B. Robinson is appointed  
for the day - The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee appointed to visit Leahy Chase are not  
ready to report. The committee in case of Alice Chase  
inform that they have not been unmindful of their  
appointment but it had not been convenient to attend  
thereto.

Our beloved friend Anna A Jenkins a minister  
in unity with us spread before this meeting a concern  
which had for some time rested on her mind, to visit  
the families of Friends belonging to this particular  
meeting, also to visit some of the meetings within  
the limits of Salem Quarterly Meeting, and attend the  
Monthly Meeting to be held at Lygon, which was  
fully united with and she left at liberty to pursue  
her prospect as best wisdom may direct, our friends  
uniting therewith.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader a minister  
in unity informed us that she had for some time felt  
that it would be right for her to visit the families belong-  
ing to this meeting and believed the time had arrived  
for her to give up to the service and accompany our  
beloved friend Anna A Jenkins, which was united  
with in this and mens meeting, and she left at  
liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may  
direct.

Dorcas B. Robinson Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 12<sup>th</sup> Mo. 30<sup>th</sup> 1846. The representatives for Prov-  
idence are Huldah A Meader & Sarah Pearce - for  
Smithfield Eunice McCall & Deborah L Jenkins - all  
present except one.

Dorcas B Robinson is appointed clerk for the day.

The Committee to visit Leafy Chace inform they have  
given some attention to the subject but are not ready  
to report.

The Committee under appointment to visit Alice  
Chace presented the following report viz-

We have agreeably to appointment visited  
Alice Chace and conferred with her on the subject  
of complaint as presented by the overseers. She  
treated us respectfully but did not give any  
encouragement of changing her course expressing  
that it was her <sup>present</sup> prospect and intention to attend the  
meeting of the seceders - we do not think farther  
labour in the case would be useful.

Lydica C Smith

Providence 23<sup>rd</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 1846.

Hannah B Robinson

Said report being accepted in this and mens meeting  
she is accordingly disowned from membership  
with us, and Mary W Smith & Deborah H Jenkins  
are appointed to inform her thereof.

Our beloved friend Anna S Jenkins informed  
this meeting that she had been enabled to accomplish  
to the peace of her own mind, the service to which she  
was liberated last month. and returned the minutes  
then granted her with an endorsement by Salem  
Mss Meeting stating her company & religious  
labours had been truly acceptable to them. - which  
information is satisfactory to this meeting.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader also  
informed this meeting that thro. mercy she had  
been enabled to accomplish the service of visiting  
families, to the entire relief and peace of her own mind.



which information is acceptable to us.

We have united with men friends in accepting a removal certificate from Newbridge Monthly Meeting on behalf of Salisbury Sprague.

Our esteemed friend John Meader returned at this time the certificate granted him in 7<sup>th</sup> mo last, with the information that he had accomplished the service as therein expressed to the peace of his own mind - which is satisfactory to us - He presented minutes from the Yearly Meetings of Baltimore & North Carolina, stating that his company & gospel labours had been acceptable and edifying to them.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been acceptably read at this time.

Dorcas B. Robinson Clerk for the day.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1<sup>st</sup> mo 2<sup>nd</sup> 1847. The representatives for Providence are Mary A. Buffinton & Hannah L. Robinson - for Smithfield Dorcas Paine & Susan M. Shove - who are present except one, for whom absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings from which we have selected such as we think descriptive of the present state of this, and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Dorcas Paine Huldah A. Meader & Sarah Seale whom we appoint our representatives.

The Committee appointed to visit Leapy Chace are not ready to report.

The friends appointed to inform Abie Chace of the decision of this meeting respecting her, have attended to that.

Transcripts of epistles from London and Dublin, have been acceptably read at this time.

The time having expired for which the clerks  
were appointed to serve this meeting, Lydia  
Thompson Elizabeth Mader & Hannah C. Robins-  
on are appointed to confer with some friends for  
that station and propose them to our next meeting.  
Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> Mo 1847. The representatives are  
for Providence Sarah Steele & Mary D. Congdon  
for Southfield Rebecca Mitchel & Sarah Metcalf  
who are present.

The Committee on the subject of Clerks, not being  
prepared to propose names for the year, Sarah F. Tobey  
is appointed for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
agreeably to appointment.

The Committee appointed to visit Lizzie Chace  
presented the following report - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
We your Committee appointed to visit Lizzie  
Chace report, that we have attended to our appoint-  
ment, she treated us with respect and acknowledged  
that she had for a considerable length of time  
neglected the attendance of our religious meetings  
and that of late she had attended meetings with  
those not in unity with us, she appeared rather  
unsettled in her mind; but manifested no disposition  
to make friends satisfaction: - it is our judgment  
that further labor in the case would not be  
useful, all of which we submit to the Monthly  
Meeting.

Dorcas Baine

Eunice Metcalf

2<sup>d</sup> Mo 23<sup>d</sup> 1847

Said report being accepted in this and the mens  
meeting, she is accordingly disowned from membership.



with us and Lydia Thompson is appointed to inform her of this decision.

Providence preparative meeting proposes Sarah Seal & Huldah A. Meader for overseers of Society and Mary Wilkinson & Mary R. Buffinton for overseers of the poor and Springfield preparative meeting proposes Sarah Metcalf Eunice Metcalf Dorcas Paine & Deborah H. Jenkes for overseers of Society & Patience Harknell & Mary W. Smith for overseers of the poor, which being approved by this meeting they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

We are informed that Olney Thompson requests a removal certificate from this to Town Monthly meeting for himself and wife and their adopted daughter Maria Pitkinham - and we appoint Sarah F. Tobey & Elizabeth Meader to unite with a committee of our friends in preparing one to present to our next meeting.

A manuscript of an epistle from Indiana has been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3<sup>rd</sup> month 24<sup>th</sup> 1847 The representatives are for Providence Hannah B. Robinson & Hannah Lawrence for Springfield Dorcas Paine & Asenath Metcalf, who are present except one.

The committee on the subject of clerks report that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Sarah F. Tobey for clerk & Dorcas B. Robinson assistant, which being acceptable to the meeting they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The friend appointed last month to inform Leph. Chase of the decision of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto.

The committee under appointment to prepare a

removal certificate for Ann Thompson and family, presented one, which was approved by the Meeting and the clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf.

A certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phoebe Robinson has been read, accepted & is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends,

Phoebe Robinson having removed within the limits of your Meeting, this may certify on her behalf that she is a member of our religious Society and diligent attendee of Meetings, clear of Marriage engagements, nothing appears but her outward concerns are adjusted, as such we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight, and are your friends.

Signed in and by direction of Swansea Monthly Meetings of Friends held in Somerset 25<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Oliver Earle  
Correspondent

David Shore  
Laura L. Shore } Clerks

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader a Minister in unity with us, spread before this Meeting a concern that rested with weight upon her mind to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in Philadelphia. Her prospect claiming our deliberate consideration, was fully united with and she encouraged to proceed therein as Truth may open the way -

Sarah J. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 28<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1847. The representatives are for Providence Dorcas B. Harkness & Sarah K. Reynolds for Smithfield Elizabeth Paine & Mary W. Smith who are present. The Queries have been



read with answers from each of our preparative meetings, and a summary prepared therefrom which was forward to the next Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sarah Secole Linnier, Melcalf & Elizabeth Meader whom we appoint our representatives.

Transcripts of epistles from Baltimore & North Carolina have been acceptably read at this time.

We unite with our friends in granting to Salisbury, Spang a removal certificate to Newbury Monthly Meeting.

Dorcas B Robinson Clerk for the day.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5<sup>th</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup> 1847. The representatives for Providence are Hannah B Robinson & Mary D Congdon - for Smithfield Patience Haskell & Deborah H. Jenkins who being called are present.

The clerk being absent Dorcas B Robinson is appointed for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended except one, who was prevented by indisposition.

A certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting on behalf of Harriet Gifford has been read, accepted, and is as follows - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Harriet Gifford having removed within the limits of your Meeting - this may certify that she is a member of our religious Society and a frequent attendee of our Meetings when with us clear of marriage engagements, nothing appears but her outward concerns are adjusted to satisfaction, as such we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight and are your friends

Signed in and by direction of Swansea Mo Meeting of Friends held in Fall River 2<sup>nd</sup> month 22<sup>nd</sup> 1847

Oliver Earle Correspondent

David Thore } Clerk  
Laura L Chace }

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mader returned at this time the minute granted her in the 1<sup>st</sup> mo last to attend Philadelphia Yearly Meeting with the information that she had accomplished the service to the peace of her own mind.

This meeting united with mens meeting in making a minute of disavowment against Samuel Harrington, also united with them in disowning Joseph T. Sisson.

A transcript of an epistle from New York has been acceptably read at this time.

Doreas B Robinson Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6<sup>th</sup> mo 23<sup>rd</sup> 1847. The representatives for Providence are Sarah H Reynolds & Doreas B Harkness - for Smithfield Sarah Metcalf & Elizabeth H. Paine who being called are present.

Our esteemed friend Charles Haviland attended this meeting with a certificate from Raisin Monthly Meeting endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1847 expressing their unity with him in his present religious engagement - his company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us.

The company of our esteemed friend Sarah L Haviland who is in attendance of this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Raisin Monthly Meeting is also acceptable to us.

We have united with men friends in accepting a removal certificate from Sea Brook Monthly Meeting on behalf of George F Tolson.

A minute from Rochester Monthly Meeting of Friends on behalf of Silas Cornell & Sarah M Cornell, has been read, accepted and is as follows - viz -



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 28<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1847. The representatives for Providence are Sarah F. Tobey & Hannah C. Robinson, for Smithfield Deborah H. Jenkins & Eunice Metcalf, who are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings, from which we have selected such as we think descriptive of the present state of this and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth by Dorcas Thine Eliza F. Bowen & Patience Haskell whom we appoint our representatives.

The following removal certificates have been read and accepted - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Sarah H. Wood wife of William H. Wood having for some time resided within your limits we have thought proper to forward a removal certificate on her behalf. These may therefore certify that she is a member of an religious Society; and appearing, her outward affairs are settled to satisfaction - as such we recommend her to your Christian care, with desires for her preservation and advancement in

the Truth, and are your friends,

On behalf of Greenwich Monthly Meeting of  
Friends held at East Greenwich 6<sup>th</sup> mo 28<sup>th</sup> 1847

Rowland Grune  
Correspondent.

Peter Peck  
Frederic Grune } Clerks

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Eleanor Joslin having for some  
time past resided within the limits of your  
meeting requests of us a removal certificate.

This may certify on her behalf, that she is a  
member of our Society of an orderly life, and  
diligent in the attendance of our meetings;  
and on inquiry it appears that she has settled  
her outward affairs to satisfaction - as such we  
recommend her to your Christian care and our  
your friends.

Signed on behalf of Northbridge Monthly Meeting  
of Friends held at Northbridge 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1847.

Benjamin Wheeler  
Correspondent

John Milton Earle  
Sarah H. Earle } Clerks

Sarah G. Tobey - Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1847. The representatives are for  
Providence Huldah A. Mader & Hannah A. Robinson  
for Smithfield Anna I. Dennis & Susan M. Thove  
present except two.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
attended agreeably to appointment.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting have been read at this time, and it  
appearing from the report of the Boarding School  
committee that permission is granted the same  
as last year to each Monthly Meeting of sending



a scholar to the school one term free from  
expense, we appoint Sarah F. Tobey & Dorcas Paine  
to unite with a Committee of men friends in select-  
ing a suitable child to receive that privilege.

A transcript of an epistle from Ohio G. Meeting  
has been read at this time to our satisfaction.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,  
held 29<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1847. The representatives for Providence  
are Huldah A. Mader & Sarah F. Tobey, for Smithfield  
Dorcas Paine & Mary W. Smith who are present.

Men friends inform, they have concluded to disown  
John Brewer from membership with us, in which we unite.

We have also united with men friends in granting  
the request of Caleb M. Paine, in receiving Henry A.  
Paine into membership with us.

Transcripts of epistles from Indiana North Carolina  
& London have been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 27<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1847. The representatives for Providence  
are Huldah A. Mader & Dorcas B. Harkness for  
Smithfield Patience Haskell & Eunice Metcalf, who  
are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to  
the 1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings  
and a Summary collected therefrom which we  
forward to the Quarterly Meeting by Sarah F. Tobey  
Eunice Metcalf & Mary Metcalf, whom we appoint  
our representatives.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield  
preparative meeting that Benjamin Barker and  
Catherine J. Dennis propose publishing their intentions

of marriage with each other before this meeting,  
They accordingly presented the following communication-  
To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
With divine permission and Friends approbation  
we intend marriage with each other

Benjamin Barker

Catharine J Dennis

and Mary W Smith & Eunice Metcalf are appointed  
to take the necessary care in the case and report  
to our next meeting

Our beloved friend Anna A Jenkins a Minister  
in unity with us opened in this meeting a prospect  
that had for some time rested upon her mind  
of making a religious visit to friends of Kautuck  
Monthly Meeting- of attending Sandwich  
Quarterly Meeting next to be held at New Bedford  
and also to such other service as way may open  
for- Her prospect claiming our deliberate  
consideration was fully & feelingly united with  
and she was encouraged to proceed therein as  
Truth may open the way.

Sarah F Tobey Clerk-

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo. 1847. The representatives for Providence  
are Huldah A Meader & Deborah Stearns, for Smithfield  
Asenath Metcalf & Susan McShore, who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
agreeably to appointment-

The committee in case of Catharine J Dennis, report,  
that nothing appears to prevent her proceeding in  
marriage with Benjamin Barker, they having  
produced consent of Parents are accordingly left  
at liberty to accomplish the same agreeably to the  
order of our Society. Mary W Smith & Eunice Metcalf are  
appointed to attend the marriage and report to our  
next meeting



We are informed through the medium of Smithfield preparative meeting, that Nancy Haskins requests the care of friends - and we appoint Dorcas Paine & Huldah & Meader to visit her on the account and report their judgment in the case to our next meeting.

The London printed epistle of the present year has been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 29<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1847. The Representatives for Providence are Eliza F. Bowen & Eleanor Joslin - for Smithfield Mary W. Smith & Olive Mann, who are present.

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Benjamin Barker & Catharine J. Dennis report that they attended and that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

The friends under appointment to visit Nancy Haskins inform that they have given some attention to the case but are not prepared to make a report at this time.

We are informed through the medium of Providence preparative meeting that Eleanor Hale (formerly Lawton) has connected herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, and as she is at this time residing within the limits of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, the clerk is directed to forward the communication from the overseers respecting her to that meeting and request them on behalf of this meeting to take the necessary care in the case.

Our beloved friend John Meader informed this meeting that he had for some time had a prospect of attending the Quarterly Meetings of Salem & Dover & of holding a few meetings with friends and others in the course of the journey should way open for it. His prospect claiming our deliberate consideration was united with and he left at liberty to proceed.

therein as Truth may open the way.

Our beloved Friend Anna A Jenkins returned at this time the certificate furnished her in the  
mo last, with the information that she had accomplished  
the service as therein expressed to the relief & peace  
of her own mind, which was satisfactory to us.

She presented a minute from Nantucket Monthly  
Meeting and one from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting  
held at New Bedford expressing that her company  
and gospel labours had been acceptable and edifying  
to them -

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 26<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1848. The representatives for  
Providence are Mary D Congdon & Mary R Duffinton  
for Smithfield Ruth Lissou & Patience Haskell who  
are present.

The Inquiries have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of our preparative meetings and a  
summary collected therefrom which we forward to the  
Quarterly Meeting by our friends Deborah H. Jenkins  
Hannah C Robinson & Mary W Smith whom we appoint  
our representatives.

The committee appointed to visit Nancy Haskins  
presented a report which was accepted by this  
meeting, but was referred by men friends for further  
consideration.

The following certificate has been read & accepted viz -  
To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends

Sarah Rodman having for several years  
resided within the limits of your meeting, we think  
best to furnish her with a certificate. This may certify  
that she is a member of our religious society, and her  
temporal concerns are settled to satisfaction. As such



we recommend her to your Christian care and oversight  
and are your friends.

Signed on behalf of Salem Monthly Meeting of  
Women Friends held at Lynn 11th of 11th mo. 1847.

Nathan Bred  
Correspondent.

Samuel Boyce  
Eliza B Boyce } Clerks

We are informed through the medium of Providence prepar-  
ative Meeting that Betsey Lawton wife of Darius P. Lawton  
with their daughters Maria, Sarah, & Catharine Macomber  
have removed within the limits of Smithfield Monthly Meeting  
and we appoint Mary R. Buffinton & Sarah Tarle to prepare a  
removal certificate for them if they find nothing to prevent  
to present to our next meeting.

Sarah F. Tobey - Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
25<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1848. The representatives for Providence  
are Elizabeth Austin & Hannah C. Robinson - for Smithfield  
Patience Haskel & Rebecca F. Mitchel, present except one  
for whose absence a satisfactory reason is given.

The representations to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
agreeably to appointment.

The friends appointed last month to prepare a removal  
certificate to Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Betsey  
Lawton wife of Darius P. Lawton and their daughters, Maria,  
Sarah, & Catharine Macomber, presented one which was  
approved by this meeting and the clerk was directed to  
sign the same on its behalf and forward it to said  
meeting.

Our friends inform that they have united with us in  
accepting the following report received by them last month  
viz - To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Pursuant to appointment we have had a satisfactory  
opportunity with Nancy Haskins and believe her  
request made in sincerity upon the ground of  
religious duty and conviction of the truth

as professed by Friends. and we think it may  
be safe to receive her a member of our religious  
society - all of which we refer to the judgment of  
the Monthly Meeting.

Doreus Paine

Huldah S Meader

1<sup>st</sup> Mo 20<sup>th</sup> 1848

She is accordingly received into membership with  
us and Deborah H. Parker is appointed to inform her  
thereof.

We have united with our Friends in disowning  
Calvin Thove from membership with us.

Sarah L. Tobey. Clerk

Providence, Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 29<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1848. The representatives for  
Providence are Eliza V. Bowen & Sarah Steele for Smithfield  
& Eunice Metcalf & Deborah C. Parker. all present.

The friend appointed last month to inform Nancy  
Haskins of the decision of this meeting respecting her  
has attended to that.

We are informed through the medium of Providence  
Preparative Meeting that Lydia Congdon requests a  
removal certificate to New Bedford Monthly Meeting, and  
we appoint Sarah L. Tobey & Elizabeth Meader to prepare  
one to present to our next meeting.

We are also informed that Catharine J. Barker has  
removed within the limits of Rhode Island Mo. Meeting  
and requests our certificate, and we appoint Sarah Steele  
& Eunice Metcalf to prepare one to present to our next  
meeting.

Our beloved friend John Meader returned at this time  
the certificate furnished him in 12<sup>th</sup> Mo last with the  
information that he had been favoured to accomplish  
the service as therein expressed to the relief in peace of  
his own mind. he presented a minute from Salem &  
Dorset Monthly Meetings expressing that his own party



and gospel labours had been acceptable to them -  
He also presented in this meeting a prospect that had for  
a long time rested upon his mind with weight and increas-  
ingly so of late of attention in the love of the gospel the  
approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in Philadelphia  
his prospect claiming our deliberate consideration was fully  
united with and the clerk was directed to sign a certificate  
prepared for him by our friends.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appoin-  
ted to serve this meeting we appoint Elizabeth Mendenham  
Metcalf & Deborah H. Lusk to confer with some friends for that  
station and propose them to our next meeting.  
A transcript of an epistle from New York has been read at  
this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 26<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup>  
month 1842 The representatives for Providence are Sarah  
Hart & Envelope Brown for Smithfield Anna J. Dennis &  
Mary Metcalf who are present.

The committee on the subject of clerks report that they are  
united in proposing the reappointment of Sarah F. Tobey  
as clerk and Dorcas B. Robinson assistant, which being  
acceptable to the meeting, they are accordingly appointed to that  
service for the ensuing year.

The Queries with answers from each of our Preparative  
Meetings have been read, and a summary collected therefrom  
which we forward to the Yearly Meeting next to be held  
at Greenwich by our friends Elizabeth Mendenham Sarah  
F. Tobey & Sarah Lusk whom we appoint our representa-  
tives.

The committee appointed last month to prepare removal  
certificates for Lydia Congdon and Catherine J. Barker  
presented them to this meeting which were approved and  
the clerk was directed to sign and forward the same  
on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins in a weighty and

impressive manner spread before this meeting a concern to which she had been made willing to resign herself to visit in gospel love, some of the meetings of Friends in Great Britain, and attend to such other service as may be required of her. Her prospect claimed our deliberate consideration was fully united with and she was encouraged to proceed therein as Truth opened the way, and the clerk was directed to sign on behalf of the meeting the following certificate - viz -

To Friends in Great Britain and where there may come —

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins in a weighty and feeling manner informed this meeting that she had been made willing to resign herself to attend, should way open for it, to a prospect of religious duty which deeply impressed her mind of visiting in gospel love, some of the meetings of Friends in Great Britain and of attending to such other religious engagements in Europe as may be required of her. We were interested into near sympathy with our dear friend in this concern and, after a time of deliberate and solid consideration, she was liberated, with the full and cordial unity of this meeting, to pursue her prospect as Truth may direct. In resigning this our beloved friend for the service, to which we believe she is called by the Holy Head of the Church, we think it right to testify that she is a Minister of the Gospel in unity with us; sound in word and doctrine; and that her life and conversation are consistent with our christian profession. —

We affectionately commend her to your tender sympathy and kind attention, and fervently crave for her the blessing of preservation, that she may be favoured to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and to follow him; and when it may be right for her to return to her native land, that she may be restored

finished at  
the end of  
the book



The time having expired for which the overseers were appointed  
Providence preparative meeting proposes Thelma A. Meade & Sarah  
Leah for overseers & society and Mary A. Buffinton & Dorcas Harkness  
for overseers & the poor & Smithfield preparative meeting proposes  
Deborah H. Lusk & Dorcas Paine for overseers & society & Abigail  
Baskett & Mary W. Smith for overseers & the poor which being accep-  
ted to this meeting they are appointed to that service for the  
ensuing year.

Our beloved friend John Meade returned at this time the  
certificate furnished him last month, with the information  
that he had been favoured to accomplish the service as therein  
expressed and to return to his family with a peaceful mind.

We have united with our friends in accepting a removal  
certificate from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of the western  
district on behalf of Robert Wells

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 23<sup>rd</sup>  
& 24<sup>th</sup> month 1842. The representatives for Providence are Sarah Bond  
& Eleanor Boston for Smithfield Elizabeth Paine & Amariah Smith  
present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended agreeable  
to appointment

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield prepara-  
tive meeting that Abby P. Harris has united herself in marriage  
with one not in membership with us, and we appoint Deborah  
H. Lusk & Elizabeth Meade to visit her on the account and report  
to our next meeting

We have united with our friends in accepting a removal  
certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of  
Grace B. Knowles & his wife Eliza M. Knowles.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
1<sup>st</sup> month 18<sup>th</sup> 1843. The resolutions for Providence are  
Huldah A. Maden, Hannah Lawrence, for Smithfield  
Mary W. Smith & Elizabeth Paine - present except one for  
whose absence a satisfactory reason is given.

The committee appointed last mo. to visit Abby P. Brown  
inform that they have given attention to the subject but are  
not ready to report.

Resolved We are informed through the medium of Providence  
Blumen for preparative meeting that Harriet Oliver formerly of Gafford  
merely Gafford has connected herself in marriage with one not in mem-  
bership with us, and we appoint Hannah C. Robinson &  
Lydia C. Smith to visit her on the account and report to  
our next meeting.

We have received the following communication from  
Smithfield Monthly Meeting in relation to Eleanor Hale  
formerly Lawton which are united with by this meeting  
and she is accordingly with the concurrence of men friends  
discontinued from membership with us, and the clerk  
is directed to inform said meeting of the <sup>conclusion</sup> of  
this and request them on our behalf to inform her of  
the decision of this meeting respecting her.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
Dear Friends

According to your request the communication  
which you forwarded to us, respecting Eleanor Hale  
has received the attention of this meeting, by appointing  
a committee to visit her, the report of which we transmit  
to you with information it was the judgment of this  
meeting that it was best to discontinue her as a member  
of our Society.

From Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Women  
Friends held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1843.

Lydia A. Kelly, Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends to be  
held at Smithfield 5<sup>th</sup> month 25<sup>th</sup> 1843.

We your committee have had an opportunity



with Eleanor Hale formerly Lawton, she manifested no  
desire to be retained a member and said friends might  
do as they thought proper, it would make no difference to her.

We see no use in bestowing any further labor

Abigail Insman

Mary Steere

Committee

Ruth M. Battey

A Certificate from Greenwich Monthly Meeting on behalf  
of Rachel Wilcox was forwarded to this meeting in 2<sup>d</sup> month  
last and it being ascertained that she is not residing within  
our limits the clerk is directed to return it to said meeting  
with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved friend Anna Jenkins a minister in work  
with us, informed this meeting that for some time past  
she had believed it would be right for her to attend the  
Quarterly Meetings of Passabasso & Fairfield and to visit  
such other meetings as she may feel her mind drawn to—  
her prospect claiming our deliberate consideration was  
fully united with and she was encouraged to attend them  
as Truth may open the way.

Sarah L. Tobey. Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 26<sup>th</sup>  
of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1848. The representatives for Providence are  
Mary D. Congdon and Abigail A. Meader, for Smithfield  
Eunice Melcalf & Dorcas Paine, all present.

The clerk being absent Dorcas B. Robinson is appointed  
for the day.

The Minutes have been read with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>  
from each of our preparative meetings, and a summary  
collected therefrom which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting  
next to be held at Portsmouth by our friends Eliza F. Brown  
Eunice Melcalf & Elizabeth Meader whom we appoint our  
representatives.

Our esteemed friend John Scott attended this meeting  
with a minute of concurrence from Baltimore Monthly

Meeting of Friends for the eastern & western district,  
enclosed by Baltimore Quarterly Meeting - his company  
and gospel labours have been satisfactory to us -  
We have also had the acceptable company of Stephen  
Dillingham as companion to John Scott with a minute  
from Sandwich Monthly Meeting - The clerk is directed  
to sign minutes on their behalf prepared by our friends -  
The committee appointed to visit Abby P Harris made  
the following report - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting

We your Committee appointed to visit Abby P Harris  
report that we have had a satisfactory opportunity with  
her - She appears sensible of her deviation from the good  
order of our Society, and manifested a strong desire to  
be continued a member, if friends could consistently  
pass by the offence, and we are united in the opinion  
that it may be best to continue her a member -

All of which we Submit

Deborah H Senter

Elizabeth Meader

7<sup>th</sup> Mo. 26 1848.

Which report was united with in this and the previous meeting  
and she is accordingly restored to her right of member-  
ship with us, and Elizabeth H Peine is appointed  
to inform her of this conclusion

The Committee in case of Harriet Bliven presented  
a report which is accepted and is as follows viz -  
and she is accordingly with the concurrence of mem-  
bers disowned from membership with us, and Mary  
R Buffinton is appointed to inform her of this decision

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends.

We have visited Harriet Bliven on account of the  
complaint brought against her at our last Mo Meeting  
She acknowledged that the complaint was just, also  
that she was well acquainted with the discipline and practice  
of Friends, but did not manifest any desire to be continued a  
member of the Society - we do not think further labor would  
be useful, but submit the decision of the case to the Meeting.

7<sup>th</sup> Mo 17<sup>th</sup> 1848.

Hannah C Robinson

Ezra C Smith



Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader a minister in unity with us, opened in this meeting a prospect which had long rested on her mind and latterly with increasing weight of attending in gospel love the Quarterly Meetings constituting this Yearly Meeting and visiting some other meetings within their limits to which she may feel her mind drawn, also of appointing meetings as way may open, not in religious profession with us - after deliberate consideration her concern was fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Dorcas B Robinson - Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8th Month 30th 1848. The representations for Providence are Penelope Brown & Huldah A Meader. For Smithfield Deborah H. L. and Asenath Metcalf - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended according to appointment.

The friend appointed last month to inform Abby Harris of the conclusion of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto - The appointment respecting Harriet Bliven not attended to - and the same friend continued -

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been read, and it appearing by the report of the Boarding School Committee that permission is granted to each Mon. Meeting of sending a scholar to the School one term free of expense - we appoint, Mary R Buffinton & Sarah Leach to unite with a committee of men friends in selecting a suitable child to receive that privilege.

We have united with men friends in accepting removal certificates from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Burgess Phare & Joseph B Phare sons of Burgess J. Chace.

Sarah S. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 27<sup>th</sup>  
of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1848. The representatives for Providence are  
Eleanor Joslin & Maria Knowles - for Smithfield Patsie  
Hoskell & Rebecca Mitchell - present except one.

The friend named to inform Harriet Bliven of the decision  
of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto -

The following communication has been received from Smithfield  
Monthly Meeting viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
Dear Friends

According to your request we have informed  
Eleanor Hale that she was disowned as a member of  
our Society.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Smithfield Monthly  
Meeting of Women Friends held 31<sup>st</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1848.

Lydia H. Keller Clerk.

Our beloved friend Anna & Lenkins returned at this  
time the certificate furnished her by this meeting in 6<sup>th</sup>  
month last, with the information that she had accomplished  
her service as therein expressed to the entire relief and  
peace of her own mind. She presented a minute from  
Wassalboro Quarterly Meeting stating that her company  
and religious services had been satisfactory to them -  
Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting  
& a transcript of an epistle from Baltimore Yearly  
Meeting have been acceptably read at this time -

The Clerk was directed to sign on behalf of this  
meeting a minute for our friend Samuel Boyd Tobey  
prepared by men friends.

Sarah H. Tobey Clerk.



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1842. The representatives for  
Providence are Deborah Lewis & Huldah A. Meader  
for Smithfield Deborah H. Lusk & Mary Metcalf  
present except one -

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2<sup>d</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>  
from each of our preparative meetings and a summary  
collected therefrom which we forward to the Quarterly  
Meeting next to be held at Swimsy by our friends Elizabeth  
Meader, Eunice Metcalf & Anna S. Dennis whom we appoint  
our representatives.

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield  
Preparative Meeting that Anna Chace has for some  
time past discontinued the attendance of our Meetings  
and attended with the Separatists, and we appoint  
Elizabeth Meader & Lydia C. Smith to visit her on the  
account and report to our next Meeting.

We are also informed thro. the same medium that  
Elizabeth Brown request a removal certificate to Nybridge  
Monthly Meeting, & we appoint Deborah H. Lusk & Eunice  
Metcalf to prepare one if they find nothing to present  
to present to our next Meeting.

A transcript of an epistle from North Carolina has  
been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah F. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 29<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1848. The representatives for Providence  
are Hannah Robinson and Sarah Clark for Smithfield  
Mary Metcalf & Elizabeth H. Paine who are present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting  
attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee appointed last month to visit Anna  
& Chace presented a report which with the concurrence  
of men friends is accepted and is as follows viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends

Agreeably to an appointment we have had an interview with Anna Chase, she received and treated us in a very friendly manner but appeared decided as to the propriety of the cause she is pursuing, expressing that she felt no regret for the step she had taken - we do not consider that further labor in this case would be useful - the consideration of which we submit to the meeting -

10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1842

Elizabeth Meader

Lydia C. Smith

She is accordingly disowned from membership with us and Dorcas Paine is appointed to inform her of this decision

The friends under appointment to prepare a removal certificate for Elizabeth Brown presented one which was acceptable to the meeting and the clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf and forward it to Northbridge Monthly Meeting.

We are informed through the medium of Providence Preparatives Meeting that Sarah Robinson has so far departed from the good order of our Society as to entirely neglect the attendance of our religious meetings - and we appoint Eliza B. Bowen & Sarah T. Tobey to visit her on the account and report to our next meeting -

We are informed through the same medium that Betsey Craig formerly Bowstick has so far disregarded the good order of our Society as to unite herself in marriage with a person not in membership with us, and we appoint Eunice Melvill & Mary D. Congdon to visit her on the account and report to our next meeting -

This meeting is also informed that Mary A. Lee requests the care of friends - and we appoint Elizabeth Meader & Hannah K. Robinson & Eleanor Joslin to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting their judgment as to the ground of her request.

We have united with men friends in accepting



a removal certificate from Hartland Mr. Meeting on  
behalf of Thomas Haines.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mader returned at this  
time the certificate furnished her by this Meeting in  
4th month last with the information that she had been  
favoured to accomplish the service as therein expressed  
to the entire relief and peace of her own mind which was  
satisfactory to us. She presented from Dover & Sandwich  
Monthly Meetings, and from the Quarterly Meetings of  
Smithfield Salem Dover Falmouth Fairfield Passabasso  
and Sandwich, expressing that her company and gospel labors  
had been truly acceptable to them.

Sarah G. Tobey Clerk

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held  
27th of 12th month 1848. The representatives for Providence  
are Dorcas Harkness & Hannah Lawrence for Smithfield  
Deborah H. Lewis & Patience Haskell, who are present.

The friend appointed last month to inform Anna  
Chace of the decision of this meeting respecting her has  
attended thereto.

The Committee under appointment to visit Sarah Rodman  
inform that they have given some attention to the subject  
but are not ready to report. The committee in case of  
Betsey Craig not prepared to report at this time.

The Committee named last month to visit Mercy  
A. Lee presented the following report which is with  
the concurrence of men Friends accepted and she is  
accordingly received into membership with us, and  
Hannah Lawrence is appointed to acquaint her with  
this conclusion.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Accordingly to appointment we have visited Mercy  
A. Lee, and believe her sincere in her request  
and convinced of the principles professed by  
Friends, and we are united in the opinion that

it would be safe to receive her a member -  
which we submit

Elizabeth Meader  
12<sup>th</sup> Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 1848 Hannah C Robinson  
Channah Foster

Our esteemed friend William B Thompson attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Seabrook Monthly Meeting. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared for him by our friends.

We have united with our friends in disowning John L Wadsworth from membership with us.

Our esteemed friend Samuel Boyl Hobbs returned at this time the minute furnished him by this meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month last with the information that he had satisfactorily accomplished the service then in prospect. He also informed this meeting that he believed it was required of him to attend in Gospel Love the approaching Quarterly Meetings of Salem Dover, Bassalboro & Fairfield - to visit some meetings constituting them, and if way should open for it to appoint a few meetings, his prospect claiming our deliberate consideration was united with and he left at liberty to pursue the same as truth may open the way - and the clerk is directed to sign a certificate prepared for him by our friends.

We are informed through the medium of Providence Preparative Meeting that Aley A Remington has removed within the limits of New York Monthly Meeting and requests our certificate, and we appoint Phoebe S Pickham & Sarah F Tobey to prepare one if they find nothing to prevent to present to our next meeting.

Sarah F Tobey Clerk



Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1849 The Representatives for  
Providence are Hannah C Robinson & Hannah Lawrence  
for Smithfield Deborah H Jenkins & Asenath Metcalf.  
All present.

The Quiries with answers to the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> from each  
of our preparative Meetings have been read and such  
selected therefrom as we think most descriptive of our  
present state which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting  
next to be held in Providence by our friends Lydia C Smith  
Deborah H Jenkins & Elizabeth H Paine whom we appoint  
our representatives.

The Committee under appointment to visit Sarah Rodman  
presented the following report viz- which with the concurrence  
of Mens Meeting is accepted and she is disowned from  
membership with us, and Sarah F Tobey is appointed to  
inform her of this decision.

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Agreeably to appointment we have visited Sarah  
Rodman on the subject of her departure from the order  
of our Society. She appeared fully to realize that by her  
present course she should forfeit her right of membership  
with us, which she manifested no desire to retain.  
It is our judgment that farther labour in the case would  
not be useful - which we submit

Eliza G. Bowen

1<sup>st</sup> Mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1849

Sarah F. Tobey

The Committee appointed to visit Betsey Craig pre-  
sented a report which was accepted and is as follows viz-

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Agreeably to appointment we have visited Betsey Craig.  
She treated us respectfully but did not manifest a wish  
to be retained a member of our religious Society.

We think farther care in the case would not be useful.

Eunice Metcalf

1<sup>st</sup> Month 20<sup>th</sup> 1849

Mary D Congdon

and she is accordingly with the concurrence of mens

Friends disavowed from membership with us and  
Huldah A. Mader is appointed to inform her of this  
decision.

A removal certificate for Alley A. Huntington was  
presented which was acceptable to the meeting and the  
clerk was directed to sign the same on its behalf and  
forward it to New York Monthly Meeting.

The friend appointed to inform Mary A. Lee of the  
conclusion of this meeting respecting her has attended thereto.

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence Preparative Meeting that Mary  
Ann Kenyon has for a length of time almost  
entirely neglected the attendance of our meetings  
and has openly manifested her disunity with the  
Society of Friends, and we appoint Eunice Melcott  
Lydia C. Smith & Penelope Brown to visit her  
on the account and report to a future meeting.

We have united with our Friends in accepting  
a removal certificate from St. Albans Monthly  
Meeting on behalf of David Douglas his wife  
Phoebe and their two sons Robert W. & John H.  
Douglas.

Sarah B. G. G. Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 2nd Month 21<sup>st</sup> 1849 The representatives for  
Providence are Hannah T. Peckham & Mary R. Buffinton  
for Smithfield Eunice Melcott & Patience Huskisson - who  
are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended  
agreenly to appointment.

The friend appointed to inform Sarah Redman  
of the decision of this meeting respecting her has  
attended thereto. The service in regard to Betsey  
Craig not attended to, and continued in care  
of the friend named last month -



We are informed through the medium of Providence  
preparative Meeting that Sophia Gardner formerly  
Palmgreene has so far deviated from the good order  
of our Society as to connect herself in marriage with  
one not in membership with us. and we appoint  
Elizabeth Meader & Maria Hawes to visit her on the  
account and report to our next Meeting.

We have united with Men Friends in disowning Peter  
M. Palmgreene from membership with us.

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tobey returned  
at this time the certificate furnished him in 12th  
month last, with the information - that he had been  
favoured to accomplish the service as therein expressed  
to the peace of his own mind, which is satisfactory to  
us - he presented minutes from Salem, Dover, Portland  
and Passaboro Quarterly Meetings expressing that  
his company and services had been acceptable to  
them -

Samuel T. Tobey Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 20th of 3rd Month 1849. The representatives for Providence  
are Phoebe E. Peckham & Eliza T. Bowen - for Smithfield  
Erinice L. Petcott and Mary C. Smith - none present - a  
satisfactory reason given for the absence of ones.

The friend appointed to inform Betsy Craig of the  
decision of this meeting respecting her, has attended thereto.

The Committee appointed last month to visit  
Sophia Gardner inform that they have given some  
attention to the subject but are not prepared to  
make a full report at this time -

The following removal certificate has been accepted in  
this and Mens Meeting - viz -

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends  
Dear Friends

Laura S. Collins has removed to reside

with her husband George L. Collins, within  
the limits of your meeting - She requests of us a  
certificate - This will certify on her behalf,  
that she is a worthy member of this meeting - as  
such we recommend her to your Christian regard

Signed by direction and on behalf of  
Uxbridge Monthly Meeting of Friends held at  
Worcester 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 25<sup>th</sup> 1849

Benjamin Whelan      John Milton Carle } Clerks  
Correspondent      Sarah H. Carle }

We are informed through the medium of Smithfield  
Preparative Meeting that Abby M. Harris requests  
a removal certificate to Smithfield Monthly Meeting  
and we appoint Sarah F. Goby & Mary R. Buffington  
to prepare one if they find nothing to prevent, to present  
to our next meeting.

It is concluded that the afternoon meeting on first  
day should be held at three o'clock during the year  
instead of a part of the time at four, as formerly -

The time having expired for which the clerks were  
appointed to serve this meeting, we appoint Charles  
Douglas & Elizabeth Meaden to confer with some  
friends for that station and propose them to our  
next meeting.

Sarah F. Goby Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 25<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month - 1849.

The representatives for Providence are Lydia C.  
Smith & Mary D. Congdon, for Smithfield Deborah  
H. Jencks & Elizabeth M. Paine who are present.

The Committee appointed last month to bring  
forward the names of persons for clerks, not being  
prepared to report, Lucas W. Robinson is appointed  
clerk for the day; and one of their number having  
removed from the Meeting, Mary R. Buffington



and Eliza H. Bowen are added to the Committee.

The queries have been read with answers from each of our preparative meetings, a summary of which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Greenwich, by our friends Eldad S. Meader, Phoebe E. Peckham & Lydia C. Smith whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend John Meader feelingly opened in this meeting a prospect of attending in Gospel love the Quarterly Meetings of Fairfield, Passabasso, & Sandwich - of visiting a few meetings within the limits of the two former and most of those within the latter - which is fully united with in this meeting and he left at liberty to attend & hear, as truth may open the way, and the clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared by men friends.

The Committee in the Case of Mary Ann Henryon made the following report, viz.

which is united with in this and the mens Meeting & she is disowned from membership with us, and we appoint Penelope Brown to inform her of this decision.

This Meeting is united in receiving the report of the Committee respecting Sophia Gardner - she is accordingly retained a member, men Friends concerning therein, Deborah Stephens is appointed to inform her.

The Committee appointed last month to prepare a removal Certificate for Abby M. Harris presented one which being approved in this and the mens Meeting, the clerk is directed to sign and forward the same.

This Meeting is informed that David Douglas requests a Certificate for himself & family to St. Albans Monthly meeting, - Elizabeth Meader & Lydia C. Smith are appointed to unite with men Friends in preparing one &

present it to our next Meeting

Dorcas B. Robinson Clerk for the day

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 5th month 30th - 1849.

The representatives are for Providence Eleanor Foster  
& Hannah Lawrence, for Smithfield Patience Haskell  
& Dorcas Paine who are present.

The committee on the subject of clerks report  
that they are united in proposing Anna V. Dennis as  
clerk, and Mary R. Buffington as assistant, which  
being acceptable to the Meeting, they are appointed  
to that service for the ensuing year.

The friends appointed last month to attend  
the Quarterly Meeting attended agreeably to appoint-  
ment. — The friend named to inform Mary Ann  
Henson of the decision of this meeting respecting her  
has attended thereto.

The friend named to inform Sophia Gardner has  
also attended to her appointment.

A certificate on behalf of David Douglas and his  
wife Chloe, and two of their children viz. John H. &  
Robert W. has been prepared and presented to this  
meeting, which being approved the clerk is directed to  
sign the same.

The time having expired for which the Overseers  
were appointed, Providence Preparative Meeting  
proposes Huldah A. Meader and Sarah Barle for  
Overseers of Society, and Dorcas Harkness and Mary R.  
Buffington for Overseers of the poor, — and Smithfield  
Preparative Meeting proposes Dorcas Paine & Deborah  
Tenencks for overseers of Society, & Patience Haskell  
and Susan M. Thove for Overseers of the poor, which  
being united with by this meeting they are appointed  
to that service for the ensuing year.

Anna V. Dennis Clerk



At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 6th Month 27th - 1849,

The representatives for Providence are Elisa Bowen  
and Judith Stevens, for Smithfield Rebecca Mitchel and  
Mary Metcalf, present except one, for whose absence a  
satisfactory reason was assigned.

Our beloved friend Reuben Weaver attended this  
meeting with a minute from Congress Monthly, State of  
New York, his company and religious services have been  
acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign a minute  
prepared for him by men Friends.

Anna T. Dennis - Clerk.

Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 7th Month 25th - 1849.

The representatives for Providence are Horridah  
A. Meader and Mary D. Congdon, for Smithfield Lydia  
B. Metcalf and Anna T. Dennis, present except one.

The queries with answers to the first, second,  
and tenth, from each of our Separatists Meetings,  
have been read, and such selected therefrom as we think  
descriptive of our present state, which we forward to  
the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Portsmouth,  
to our friends, Patience Washell, Mulidah A. Meader  
and Mary D. Congdon, whom we appoint our represen-  
tatives.

Anna T. Dennis - Clerk

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 24th of 8th Month 1849,

The representatives for Providence are Elisa  
A. Bowen & Phoebe B. Beckham, for Smithfield Devora  
H. Jencks & Eunice Metcalf, who are present.

A removal certificate from Greenburg  
Monthly Meeting has been received on behalf of

Lydia H. Hury, which is accepted and is as follows  
viz.

To Providence Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends,

This is to certify that Lydia H. Hury  
has removed within the verge of your Meeting & requests  
our Certificate thereto. She being a member of our  
Society, is clear of marriage engagements, and has  
settled her outward affairs to satisfaction as far as ap-  
pears. - As such we recommend her to your Christian  
Care and Oversight.

Signed in and on behalf of Quenbury  
Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 27th of 5th month  
- 1849.

Isaac Mather } Clerks for the day  
Cynthia Cary }

James Mott Correspondent.

The Friends named to attend the Quarterly  
Meeting, report they attended agreeable to appointment.

A Certificate on behalf of Edward B. Rathbone  
and his wife Rebecca, and their children, Albert,  
Amanda Maria, and Francis Howgil, has been received  
from Smithfield Monthly Meeting, is accepted and  
is as follows viz.



We are informed that Rebecca B. Robbins has removed to live within the limits of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting and requests our certificate, and we appoint Elizabeth M. Meader & Sarah Pearle to prepare one and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The report of the Boarding School Committee has been acceptably read at this time, by which it appears the privilege of sending one child free of expense, one term, is extended to each Monthly Meeting as heretofore we therefore appoint Elizabeth Meader, Eunice M. May to join a Committee of Men Friends, to make a suitable selection therefor.

Anna S. Dennis - Clerk.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 25th of 9th Month - 1849,

The representatives for Providence Hannah C. Robinson & Penelope Brown, for N. Smithfield Olive L. Mann & Mary M. M. who are present.

The Committee appointed last month to prepare a removal certificate of behalf of Rebecca B. Robbins, presented one, which being approved, the clerk is directed to sign and forward the same.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins returned at this time the certificate granted her last year, with the information, that she had been enabled through Divine Grace to accomplish from time to time, what she believed to be required of her, and had been enabled to return to her native land with a peaceful mind; - She also presented the following minute, which, with the foregoing information is satisfactory to us.

From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London on the 21st of 5th month

and by adjournments on the 2<sup>d</sup> of the same, and 2<sup>d</sup>  
of 5<sup>th</sup> month - 1849,

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders of New  
England, the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island, and the  
Monthly Meeting of Providence.

Dear Friends,

Our dear friend

Anna Almy Jenkins, who is now engaged on a religious  
visit to this Country, having informed this Meeting that  
she has the comforting persuasion that the time of her  
release from this field of labour is near at hand, we feel  
it right to certify on behalf of our said friend, that altho  
she has not, during this engagement, travelled extensively  
amongst us, her gospel labors have been acceptable and  
edifying to Friends in those parts of this nation in which  
her lot has been cast.

We believe that in much simplicity  
and watchfulness, and in humble dependence on the  
renewed putting forth of her Divine Master, she has en-  
deavored to perform the service which has been required  
at her hands. We earnestly desire for our beloved sister,  
that the protecting care of the Almighty may be extended  
towards her both by sea and land, and that she may be  
permitted to return to her native Country in safety, and  
in the sweet feeling of a portion of her Saviour's peace.

Signed in and on behalf of our Yearly  
Meeting of Ministers and Elders held as aforesaid.

Geo. Hacey

Clerk.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly  
Meeting have been read at this time.

Anna S. Dennis Clerk.

All Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held 2<sup>d</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month - 1849,

The Representatives for Providence are Lydia C.



Smith and Mary A. Lee, for Smithfield Dorcas  
Paine & Anna V. Dennis who are present.

The queries have been read with answers to  
the first, second and tenth from each of our Pre-  
parative Meetings, and such selected therefrom  
as we think descriptive of our present state,  
which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting by  
Hannah C. Robinson, Lydia C. Smith & Dorcas  
Paine whom we appoint our representatives.

Manuscripts of epistles from Indiana and  
Ohio Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read  
at this time.

Our beloved friend John Bleader, returned  
at this time the certificate granted him in the 4th  
~~Month~~ month last, with information, that he had  
been enabled, as way had opened for it, to accom-  
plish the service therein expressed, to the ~~large~~  
peace of his own mind, which is satisfactory to  
us; he also presented returning minutes from  
New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, and from Truro  
Bathbourn and Sandwich Quarterly Meetings, ex-  
pressing that his company and religious labors  
had been acceptable to them.

Anna V. Dennis. Secy.

At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends  
held the 28th of 11th Month - 1849,

The representatives for Providence are Mary  
D. Congdon & Eleanor Joslin, for Smithfield  
Fatience Haskell & Adena M. Metcalf who are  
present.

We are informed through the medium of  
Providence Preparative Meeting that Thomas  
Carter & Anna C. Reynolds, having published their  
intentions of marriage with each other at this,  
they have accordingly presented the following

Communication viz

W. Providence Monthly Meetings of Friends  
With Divine Permission and Consent of, we intend  
to intend Marriage with each other.

Thomas Baker,  
Anna C. Reynolds.

Providence 11th month 27th - 1849.

and we appoint

Mary N. Buffinton and Anna S. Dennis to take  
the necessary care in the case and report to our  
next meeting.

Our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson is  
in attendance of this meeting with a minute from  
Dover Monthly Meeting, expressing unity with  
her in her present religious engagement. She  
has also attended most of our several meetings  
and visited nearly all the families within our  
limits. Her Company and Religious services have  
been acceptable and satisfactory to us, and the  
Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this  
minute.

Our beloved friend Lemuel Gifford attended  
this meeting with a minute of Concurrence from  
Hendwich Monthly Meeting. His com-  
pany & religious labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also had the acceptable company of our be-  
loved friend Timothy Hanson, companion to Abigail  
M. Hanson, with a minute from Dover Monthly  
Meeting. The Clerk is directed to sign minutes  
prepared for them by men Friends.

We have united with men Friends in accep-  
ting a removal Certificate from Weybridge Monthly  
Meeting, on behalf of Thomas Baker.

The representatives appointed last month  
to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended  
accordingly

Anna S. Dennis, Clerk.



At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 25 of 12th Month - 1849.

The representatives for Providence are Eliza A. Bowen and Eleanor Joslin, for Smithfield Eunice Mitealy and Anna G. Dennis, present except one.

The committee in case of Anna E. Reynolds report that nothing appears to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Thomas Parker, and they having produced consent of parents, are accordingly left at liberty to accomplish the same agreeably to the order of our Society. Mary B. Duffing, Ton and Mary D. Congdon are appointed to attend the marriage & report to our next meeting.

A returning minute of behalf of our beloved friend John Meader, from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting has been received and acceptably read.

The transcript of an epistle from London Yearly Meeting has been acceptably read.

Anna G. Dennis - Clerk.

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At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 30th of 1st month - 1850.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah Charles & Hannah C. Robinson, for Smithfield Dorcas Paine & Anna G. Dennis, present except one

The queries have been read with answers to the first, second & tenth, from each of our Preparative Meetings, and we have selected such as we think descriptive of our present state, which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Elizabeth H. Paine, Hannah C. Robinson & Elizabeth Meader whom we appoint our representatives.

We are informed by a minute from the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders that they are united in proposing for the consideration of this meeting

in approving the gift & public appearance in the ministry of Hannah C. Robinson, and we are informed through the same medium that they are also united in proposing for the consideration of this meeting the approving the gift & public appearance in the ministry of Huldah A. Meader, which being deliberately considered is united with by us, and we are likewise informed from the same meeting that they are united in proposing for our consideration the appointment of Eunice Metcalf to the station of an Elder, with which we unite, — all of which is referred by men friends to next month.

We have united with men Friends in approving the appointment of Gilbert Congdon to the station of an Elder.

The friends appointed last month to attend the marriage of Thomas Parker & Anna C. Reynolds, report, they attended and that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

Anna T. Dennis Clerk.

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At Providence. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 27th of End Month — 1850.

The representatives for Providence are Eliza H. Bowen and Maria , for Smithfield Dorcas Paine & Mary Metcalf, who are all present.

The Friends named last month to attend the Quarterly Meeting attended accordingly.

We are informed through Smithfield Preparative Meeting that Maria Macey, formerly Parnum, has connected herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, and we appoint Eunice Metcalf & Anna T. Dennis to visit her on the account and report next month.

Our beloved friend Linley Lewis Hoag attended this meeting with a minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting endorsed by Dover Quarterly Meeting, expressing their unity with him in his present religious engagement. His company and gospel labors have been very acceptable to us — and the Clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared for him by men Friends.



Manuscripts of Epistles from Dublin, North Carolina and Baltimore Yearly Meetings, also extracts from the minutes of our own Yearly Meeting have been acceptably read at this time.

The proposition from the Preparative Meeting of ministers and Elders, considered last month and united with by us, of approving the gift & public appearance in the Minister of our friend Eldadah A. Meader, and also of the appointment of our friend Eunice Metcalf to the Station of an Elder, is now united with by men Friends, which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting.

The proposition from the same meeting concerning our friend Hannah P. Robinson, considered last month, and, referred by men Friends, is again referred by them.

Anna S. Dennis - Clerk.

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At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 27th of 3rd month - 1836,

The representatives for Providence are Penelope Brown & Mary Ann Smith, for Smithfield Deborah F. Jencks & Asenath Metcalf.

The committee appointed last month to visit Maria Marcy late Farnum, inform that they have given attention to the subject but are not prepared to report at this time.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader, <sup>administer in unity</sup> in a weighty and impressive manner, spread before this meeting a concern, that has for many years, and of late with increased weight and clearness, to visit, in the love of the Gospel, the meetings of Great Britain & Ireland, also to appoint some meetings among Friends & those not in religious profession with us; she also expressed she apprehended it might be required of her to visit and hold some meetings upon the Continent of Europe, which claimed our deliberate consideration, and was fully and feelingly united with, and she encouraged to proceed therein as truth may

open the way.

Our beloved friend John Meader, <sup>a minister in unity with us.</sup> in a weighty manner, spread before this meeting a prospect that had for many years attended his mind, and of late with clearness and increased weight, of visiting in the love of the dear Redeemer, the meetings of Great Britain and Ireland, and of appointing some meetings both among Friends and others; and also of visiting some places and holding some meetings on the continent of Europe which claiming our solid consideration was fully united with. — And we appoint Eleanor Foster Anna T. Dennis & Lydia C. Smith to unite with a committee of Men Friends in preparing certificates agreeably to the prospects herein expressed.

Transcript of an epistle from New York Yearly Meeting has been acceptably read at this time.

The proposition from the Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders, considered & united with by us two months since, of approving the gift and public appearance in the ministry of our friend Hamnah C. Robinson, is now united with by Men Friends.

Anna T. Dennis - Clerk.

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At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 24<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month - 1850.

The representatives for Providence are Sarah T. Tobey & Elisabeth H. Austin, for Smithfield Patience Haskell & Susan M. Thove - All present.

The queries have been read with answers from each of our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Greenwich - by our friends Dorcas Harkness, Lydia C. Smith & Dorcas Paine whom we appoint representatives.

The committee in the case of Maria Marcy are not ready to report at this time.



We are informed through Providence Preparative Meeting that Lydia Kenyon requests the care of Friends and we appoint Lydia C. Smith Eunice Melcalf and Elisabeth Meader to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

The committee appointed last month to prepare certificates for our friends John & Elisabeth Meader, presented the following which being satisfactory to the meeting, were signed by the Clerk and others. —

To Friends in Great Britain and Ireland and where these may come —

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend Elisabeth Meader feelingly opened before this meeting a concern which had for many years deeply impressed her mind to visit in the love of our Holy Redeemer the meetings of Friends in Great Britain and Ireland — to appoint some meetings among Friends and those not in religious profession with us — and also to visit some places and hold meetings on the Continent of Europe, and informed us that she believed it to be now required of her to resign herself to this service —

This weighty & important religious engagement of our dear friend, received our deliberate & solid consideration, and was feelingly and fully united with by this meeting —

We certify on her behalf that she is a minister of the Gospel in unity & good esteem with us — sound in word and doctrine and consistent in life and conversation —

We affectionately commend her to the kind attention and Christian sympathy of those among whom her lot may be cast, fervently craving that she may witness preservation and that our divine Master may be near to guide and to comfort her — and when this service shall have been accomplished that she may be restored

to her family and friends with the blessing of  
peace.

Lilbert Congdon }  
Anna T. Dennis } clerks

Jonathan Congdon  
Joseph Metcalf  
Samuel Boyd Tobey  
Silas Cornell  
James Dennis  
Charles Atherton  
Turner Haskell  
Welcome Congdon  
George S. Collins  
Thomas Harkness  
Caleb M. Paine  
William A. Robinson  
Reuben J. Peckham  
Daniel Buffington  
Benjamin F. Knowls  
John J. Meader  
Paul Coffin  
Ebenezer Metcalf  
Daniel Mitchell  
Gideon C. Smith  
Thomas Chase  
Sahiel Robinson

Eunice Metcalf  
Hannah C. Robinson  
Sarah Scarle  
Eliza F. Bowen  
Dorcas Paine  
Mary R. Buffington  
Maria S. Hawes  
Content Robinson  
Hannah Lawrence  
Mercy A. Lee  
Susan M. Shove  
Elizabeth H. Paine  
Adeneth Metcalf  
Mary Metcalf  
Phoebe Robinson  
Mary R. Congdon  
Deborah Jencks  
Lydia C. Smith  
Huldah A. Meade

The time having expired for which the clerks  
were appointed to serve this meeting, we appoint  
Elizabeth Meader & Hannah C. Robinson to confer  
with some friends for that station.

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tobey a  
minister in unity, informed this meeting, that he  
believed it required of him, in the discharge of his  
religious duty, to attend the approaching Yearly  
Meeting of New-York, which is fully united with



in this meeting & he left at liberty to pursue the prospect as best wisdom may direct.

Our beloved friend John Meader, a minister in unity, opened in this meeting a prospect of attending the approaching Yearly Meeting of New-York, and also of visiting some of the meetings in Salem and Dover Quarterly Meetings, which is fully united with & he encouraged to attend there as truth may open the way - , and the clerk is directed to sign certificates prepared for them by men Friends.

A testimony concerning our late beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins has been read and approved in this meeting

Anna J. Dennis - Clerk.

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At Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held the 29th of 5th Month - 1835,

The representatives for Providence are Penelope Brown & Maria J. Hawes, for Smithfield Deborah H. Jencks & Elizabeth H. Paine - all present

The committee on the subject of clerks report - that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Anna J. Dennis as clerk, and the appointment of Susan M. Thove assistant, which being acceptable to the meeting they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting attended accordingly.

The committee appointed to visit Maria Macey (late Farnum) presented the following report which was accepted and is as follows viz.,

To Providence Monthly Meeting of Women Friends.  
Agreeably to appointment we have visited Maria Macey (late Farnum) and it is our judgment that no benefit would result from retaining her a member of our Religious Society

Emmie Metcalf.  
Anna J. Dennis.

and she is accordingly with the concurrence of men Friends disowned from membership with us, and Deborah H. Jencks is appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

The Friends appointed to visit Lydia Kenyon inform that they have given attention to the subject, but are not ready to report at this time.

Our beloved friend Elisabeth Meader, a minister in unity, communicated to this meeting a concern that had for some time rested upon her mind of appointing some meetings among those not in religious profession with us, in the Western Part of Massachusetts, without the limits of our Quarterly Meeting, which was united with, and the clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared on her behalf.

Anna V. Dennis - Clerk.

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At Providence Monthly Meeting of women Friends held the 26th of 5th Month - 1850,

The representatives for Providence are Doreen B. Harkness & Mary S. Congdon, for Smithfield Anna V. Dennis & Patience Haskell, present except one.

The Committee under appointment to visit Lydia Kenyon presented the following report which is, with the concurrence of men Friends, accepted, and she is accordingly received into membership with us, & Lydia C. Smith is appointed to inform her of this conclusion.

Our beloved friend John Meader returned at this time the minute granted him in the 4th month, with the information that he had attended the Yearly Meeting of New-York as therein expressed to the entire peace of his own mind.



She also presented a returning minute from the yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, which together with the information is very satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tobey returned at this time the minute granted him in the 4th month with the information that he had been enabled to accomplish the service therein expressed to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind. He presented a returning minute from New-York yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, which with the accompanying information is very satisfactory to us.

Anna S. Dennis - Clerk.

Stephen and Hannah Gould certificate which  
was received in Providence Monthly Meeting  
held at Smithfield 23<sup>rd</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1829, and  
omitted, as recorded is as follows;

To Providence Monthly Meeting  
of Friends

Dear Friends,

Stephen Gould  
and Hannah his wife, having removed from  
this meeting to live within the limits of yours  
this is to certify that they are members of our  
religious society, and elders in unity with us  
and on enquiring their outward affairs appear  
to be settled to satisfaction; as such we recom-  
mend them to your friendly notice, and are  
your friends. Signed on behalf and  
by direction of Rhode Island Monthly  
Meeting held at Newport the 24<sup>th</sup> of the  
9<sup>th</sup> month 1829.

David Rodman  
Ruth Rodman Clerks.

To Providence monthly meeting of friends  
Dear Friends

Jonathan Freeman and Lydia el. Freeman his  
wife with their family, having removed within your limits,  
request our certificate for themselves and their children.

We hereby certify that they are members of our religious society  
orderly in their lives and conversation and diligent in the  
attendance of meeting and on enquiry it appears that  
outward affairs are settled to satisfaction. Their children  
are all members and their names are as follows Esther,  
Emily Read, Charles Scott, Eliza Amy, and Benjamin.

We recommend them to your Christian care, and are your friends.  
Signed on behalf of Providence monthly meeting: Wm. Perin  
held at Wrentham 2<sup>nd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1835 Sarah Peck



To Providence monthly meeting.

Dear Friends

Our friend Joseph Dennis and his first daughter, Esther, having removed within the verge of your meeting request our sympathy.

We longed to see him but that he is a member of our region, living of orderly life and conversation, and a diligent attendant of meetings, and no longer nothing appears but his outward affairs are settled to satisfaction, his daughter is also a member.

With desires for their welfare, we remain most devotedly  
to your Christian care and are your friends,

Signed on behalf of Greenock monthly meeting of friends  
held at Greenock, N. H. : 1835

William Reynolds J. W.  
James W. B.

in safety to us, in the enjoyment of that peace which is  
mercifully granted by him to his devoted followers.

Signed in and on behalf of Providence Monthly  
Meeting of Friends, held at Providence in the State of  
Rhode Island, North America, the twenty sixth of the  
fourth Month, 1845.

Gilbert Congdon } Clerks  
Sarah H. Tobey }

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| Jonathan Congdon   | Joseph C. Peckham   | Mary W. Smith      |
| John Meader        | Paul Coffin         | Gideon C. Smith    |
| Joseph Metcalf     | Ebenezer Metcalf    | Sarah B. Jenkins   |
| Samuel Boyd Tobey  | William A. Robinson | Eliza Henry        |
| Niles Cornell      | Jonathan L. Wrean   | Eliza N. Bowen     |
| Davis Metcalf      | Elizabeth Meader    | Anna V. Dennis     |
| Thomas Harkness    | Hannah C. Robinson  | Louisa B. Robinson |
| Belconet A. Greene | Emmie Metcalf       | Mary S. Congdon    |
| James Dennis       | Leborah H. Jencks   | Annath Metcalf     |
| Reuben J. Peckham  | Sarah Parle         |                    |
| Belcome Congdon    | Phoebe G. Peckham   |                    |

